

For Service and Enterprise

AREA 5 FORUM

Tuesday, 26 July 2005 7.00 p.m.

Town Council Offices, School Aycliffe Lane Newton Aycliffe,

AGENDA and REPORTS

AGENDA

1. APOLOGIES

2. MINUTES

To confirm as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 10th May 2005 (Pages 1 - 4)

3. POLICE REPORT

A representative from the Police Force will be present at the meeting to give an update in relation to crime figures etc.

4. SEDGEFIELD PCT - PROGRESS UPDATE

A representative from the Primary Care Trust will be present at the meeting to report on progress

5. LOCAL STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP - APPOINTMENT OF BOARD MEMBER AND 'ALTERNATE'

To consider the attached letter and appoint a representative to the Local Strategic Partnership Board and an 'alternate'. (Pages 5 - 6)

6. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Next meeting is scheduled to be held on 27th September 2005

7. ANY OTHER ITEMS WHICH THE CHAIRMAN DECIDES ARE URGENT

To consider any other business which, with the consent of the Chairman may be submitted. Representatives are respectfully requested to give the Chief Executive Officer notice of items to be raised under this heading no later than 12 noon on the Friday preceding the meeting in order that consultation may take place with the Chairman who will determine whether the item will be accepted.

> N. Vaulks Chief Executive Officer

Council Offices SPENNYMOOR

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Item 2

SEDGEFIELD BOROUGH COUNCIL **AREA 5 FORUM**

Town Council Offices, School Aycliffe Lane, Newton Aycliffe

Tuesday, 10 May 2005

Time: 7.00 p.m.

Councillor M.A. Dalton (Chairman) – Sedgefield Borough Council and Present:

> Councillor Mrs. B.A. Clare Councillor Mrs. J. Croft Councillor V. Crosby Councillor Mrs. A.M. Fleming Councillor R.S. Fleming Councillor Mrs. J. Gray Councillor Mrs. E.M. Paylor Councillor Mrs. S. Iveson Councillor A. Tomlin M. Tomlin A. Robson M. Robson Mrs. D. Bowman P. Irving Sergeant E. Turner – Durham Constabulary

 Sedgefield Borough Council - Sedgefield Borough Council Sedgefield Borough Council - Sedgefield Borough Council - Sedgefield Borough Council - Sedgefield Borough Council Sedgefield Borough Council - Great Aycliffe Town Council Great Aycliffe Town Council Councillor Mrs. M. Dalton – Great Aycliffe Town Council Member of the Public – Member of the Public Burnhill Residents Association
Dales Residents Association
Sedgefield PCT

Apologies: Councillor W.M. Blenkinsopp - Sedgefield Borough Council Councillor G.C. Gray
Councillor B. Hall-Sedgefield Borough CouncilCouncillor B. Hall
Councillor K. Henderson-Sedgefield Borough CouncilCouncillor K. Henderson
Councillor J.P. Moran-Sedgefield Borough CouncilCouncillor J.P. Moran
Councillor J.K. Piggott
Councillor Mrs M. Gray
Councillor Mrs. S. Mlatilik-Sedgefield Borough CouncilGreat Aycliffe Town Council
Mrs. A. Clarke-Sedgefield PCT Sedgefield PCT Mrs. A. Clarke N. Porter Sedgefield PCT

AF(5)40/04 MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting held on 15th March, 2005 were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

POLICE REPORT AF(5)41/04

Sergeant Ed Turner was present at the meeting to give details of the crime statistics in the Newton Aycliffe area. The crime statistics for the end of year compared with the previous year were as follows :-

Total Crime	\downarrow	11.2%
Violent Crime	\downarrow	13%
Sexual offences	\downarrow	64%
Robbery	\downarrow	40%
Burglary	\uparrow	5.5%
Burglary (Other)	\downarrow	29%
Criminal Damage to Vehicles	\downarrow	15%
Shoplifting	\uparrow	17%
Total theft	\downarrow	4%
Drug offences	\downarrow	23%
Vehicle theft	\uparrow	12%
Theft from vehicles	\downarrow	30%
Criminal Damage	\downarrow	11%

Discussion was held regarding the policing of the Town Centre and the use of Support Officers. It was explained that the Support Officers were not dedicated officers in relation to policing the town centre. They were also involved in dealing with other incidents elsewhere.

Reference was made to issues in relation to anti-social behaviour and the growing trend of youths riding mini quad bikes. Numerous calls had been received in relation to the issue. Six bikes had been seized, twelve warning notices issued. The Police were requesting the public to report incidents together with names and addresses of offenders.

In response to a query raised regarding when the vacancy for Beat Officer would be filled, it was explained that an advert was to be placed that week. In the short term resources had been re-jigged to cover the area.

Reference was also made to difficulties being encountered in relation to members of the public contacting the call centre and the staffing levels of call centres. It was explained that staffing levels of shifts was dependent on anticipated need.

AF(5)42/04 SEDGEFIELD PCT - PROGRESS UPDATE

It was explained that Paul Irving, Director of Integration and Service Modernisation, Sedgefield PCT, was present at the meeting to give a progress update.

Members of the Forum were reminded that at the last meeting discussion had been held regarding the delay in the supply of digital hearing aids. The issue had been raised with the Acute NHS Trust and a response was awaited.

Members were informed of the PCT's financial position at the end of the year 2004/5. It was pointed out that there had been a high amount of nonelected (unplanned) activities which had resulted in an overspend. It was pointed out, however, that discussions were being held to identify plans to rectify the overspend. It was explained that the Health Care Commission was again reviewing the PCTs yearly star rating. Sedgefield PCT would be submitting its performance levels over the following two months to the Health Care Commission for them to award the relevant star. It was hoped that the current star rating would be kept.

Specific reference was also made to the Tees Review. It was hoped that the Review would reach its conclusion by the Summer of 2005. Further information would be brought to the Forum when it was relevant.

Reference was also made to the establishment of five integrated teams throughout the Borough. One team had already been established at Trimdon which had been successful and the other four teams would be rolled out throughout the Borough. The next team to be established would be Shildon/ Newton Aycliffe team towards the end of the month to be based in Newton Aycliffe Town Centre. The teams would be a one stop shop for social and healthcare queries.

AF(5)43/04 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

It was noted that the date of the next meeting would be agreed at the Annual Meeting of Council on 20th May, 2005.

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This matter is being dealt with by: Angela Mulholland

Date: 12th April 2005

Dear John

Mr J Turnbull

Head of Democratic Services

Sedgefield Borough Council

Chief Executive Dept

Nominations to the LSP Partnership Board April 2005

You will be aware that the Annual General Meeting of the LSP Partnership Board is to take place on Wednesday 27th April 2005 at the County Durham Education Development Centre. In accordance with the Partnership Memorandum of Administration and Procedures all organisations represented on the Partnership Board are asked to confirm their nominees annually.

We therefore ask that you confirm your nominees to the Partnership Board for the coming year April 2005 – April 2006. Your confirmation should be returned no later than Monday 18th April. You can do this either by telephoning the above number or alternatively you can respond by email to <u>amulholland@sedgefield.gov.uk</u>

Your present representatives are:

- 1. Area 1 Forum: Councillor A Smith
- 2. Area 2 Forum: Councillor A Hodgson
- 3. Area 3 Forum: Mr J Robinson, JP
- 4. Area 4 Forum: Councillor M Stott
- 5. Area 5 Forum: Councillor M Dalton

Alternate: Councillor Mrs AM Armstrong Alternate: Councillor G Morgan Alternate: Councillor T Ward Alternate: Councillor H Robinson Alternate: Councillor AM Fleming

It is expected that organisations will nominate individuals to the Partnership Board for a minimum of three years to facilitate continuity in the management of the LSP.

The Board comprises representatives from the public, private, community and voluntary sectors. It is responsible for providing the strategic direction for the work of the Partnership and monitoring its performance. It will continue to oversee the development, supervision and delivery of the Borough Community Strategy, agreeing local initiatives and set priorities for tackling matters of strategic importance to the well being of the

Borough and its communities. The Board will agree the way resources are committed to achieve the Community Strategy and these local area initiatives. It is important therefore that Board representatives are able to speak and make decisions on behalf of the organisation or group that they represent.

Contributions to the Partnership from all sectors, and in particular, those from community representatives are recognised and valued by the Board who will promote community consultation and engagement that is inclusive, responsive and co-ordinated to determine the needs and aspirations of the residents and communities within the Borough.

The Board works closely with the six LSP Policy Groups and where necessary establish guidelines to assist them in their roles. It also promotes and gives publicity to the work of the LSP.

Composition of the Board

<u>Organisation</u>	<u>Number of</u> Places
Area Forums	<u>1 1aces</u> 5
Bishop Auckland College	1
Business Forum	3
Community Empowerment Network	12
County Durham and Darlington Fire & Rescue Service	1
County Durham Connexions Service	1
Durham Constabulary	1
Durham County Council	3
Durham Police Authority	1
Groundwork East Durham	1
Learning & Skills Council (Vacant)	1
Sedgefield Borough Council	2
Sedgefield Primary Care Group	3
Sedgefield District Local Councils' Committee	3
Total	38
Government Office for the North East (Observer Status)	1

Your co-operation in this matter would be greatly appreciated and should you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

LSP Team