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South CambridgeshireDistrict Council

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To: Chairman – Councillor Ben Shelton

Vice-Chairman – Councillor Bunty Waters

Members of the Partnerships Review Committee – Councillors David Bard, Henry Batchelor, Kevin Cuffley, Andrew Fraser, Janet Lockwood, Ray Manning

and Ingrid Tregoing

Quorum: 5

Dear Councillor

You are invited to attend the next meeting of Partnerships Review Committee, which will be held in the Swansley Room A, Ground Floor on Friday, 20 January 2017 at 10.00 a.m.

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Yours faithfully
Alex Colyer
Interim Chief Executive

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AGENDA

PAGES

1. Apologies

To receive apologies for absence from committee members.

2. Declarations of Interest

3. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

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To authorise the Chairman to sign the Minutes of the meeting held on 16 September 2016, as a correct record.

4. Public Questions

- 5. Review of findings of local provision of mental health services
 This is a discussion item to review information gathered by Members regarding the provision of mental health services in their local communities, and for the committee to agree any next steps.
- 6. Updates from Members representing the Council on Outside Bodies
 Councillor Hazel Smith has provided an update report on Emmaus
 Cambridge.

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OUR VALUES

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- Working Together
- Integrity
- Dynamism
- Innovation

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Agenda Item 3

SOUTH CAMBRIDGESHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Partnerships Review Committee held on Friday, 16 September 2016 at 3.00 p.m.

PRESENT: Councillor Ben Shelton – Chairman Councillor Bunty Waters – Vice-Chairman

Councillors: David Bard Henry Batchelor

Kevin Cuffley Andrew Fraser
Janet Lockwood Ray Manning

Ingrid Tregoing

Officers: Victoria Wallace Democratic Services

Other attendees:

Neil Darwin Chief Executive, Greater Cambridge Greater

Peterborough Local Enterprise Partnership

Councillor Lewis Herbert Leader, Cambridge City Council

Councillor Peter Topping Leader, South Cambridgeshire District Council

1. APOLOGIES

There were no apologies for absence.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

3. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 18 February 2016, were agreed as a correct record.

4. PUBLIC QUESTIONS

There were no public questions.

5. DEVOLUTION

The Chairman welcomed Councillor Peter Topping, Neil Darwin and Councillor Lewis Herbert to the meeting and invited them to provide a brief update on devolution.

Discussion ensued:

The panel was asked whether the result of the EU Referendum would impact devolution. Councillor Herbert informed the committee that the referendum result did not impact devolution and that proposals would be discussed at all of the councils' full Council meetings in October 2016, as well as to the Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP). If devolution was supported by all councils and the LEP, it would proceed.

Members pointed out that £20 million funding from devolution was not a significant amount in terms of what was needed for infrastructure projects in South Cambridgeshire, however the committee was informed that this amount could be used to open opportunities to further funding. Devolution was not only about funding but also about leverage for the area.

Members were informed that work was being undertaken regarding governance for a combined authority, with the opportunity to shape the combined authority before a mayor was in place. The combined authority would be a commissioning organisation made up of seven councils and the Local Enterprise Partnership, each with a vote. The model being worked on was one of collaboration where the mayor and combined authority worked together. Issues such as housing would be devolved for councils to solve.

Leaders would be accountable to their own councils. Partnership scrutiny was envisaged, with much scrutiny taking place within councils. Pre-scrutiny would be sought where possible.

The committee was informed that clarity would be needed regarding whether or not there would be a mayor.

The public consultation was discussed. It was acknowledged that the timing of the public consultation had not been ideal, however much had been dictated by government deadlines.

Devolution was seen as an opportunity for the area, if a success was made of it and if organisations worked together to deliver it.

The Chairman thanked the panel for attending the meeting and for answering the committee's questions.

6. REPORTS FROM MEMBERS APPOINTED TO OUTSIDE BODIES

The committee noted the update on outside bodies and thanked Councillor Ellington for her update on health and wellbeing.

7. WORK PROGRAMME 2016/17

The committee's work programme was discussed. The committee decided that for its next meeting it would like to look at the way in which the NHS envisaged provision of health services, specifically mental health services, in new developments and the use of Section 106 funding.

Councillor Tregoing highlighted the importance of the committee making proposals and recommendations when it considered items.

8. DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

The date of the next meeting was to be confirmed, subject to the availability of representatives from other organisations and relevant officers.

The Meeting ended at 4.15 p.m.

Agenda Item 6



20 January 2017

South
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Report To: Partnerships Review Committee

Lead Officer: Council Representative on Outside Body

Outside Body Update - Emmaus Cambridge

Purpose

1. To update Members about the Outside Body's activities since the previous meeting of the Partnerships Review Committee.

Executive Summary

- 2. Emmaus in Landbeach is continuing to be the home for about 38 formerly homeless people, offering communal living and voluntary work in our social enterprise, which is based around recycling of furniture, clothes and bric-a-brac.
- 3. The Emmaus movement has been lobbying the government hard to highlight the need for their support, if only through enhanced Housing Benefit, for communities like ours that offer supported living conditions and training. The change to HB has been postponed twice but is still threatened. Our community (the first to be established in the UK) has celebrated 25 years of existence last summer.
- 4. Our aim this year is to have a strong fund-raising campaign and to build 10 further rooms at our community. Emmaus Cambridge has a strategic target of supporting 50 companions by 2018. The plans have been approved now, and necessary work on Phase 1, extending the car park, has been completed. South Cambs DC donated £100,000 towards the new building and car park, which has given us the confidence to go ahead. We have most of the money we need and building is due to start in the summer. We are about £50,000 short of our target, and are planning to contact businesses and individuals about sponsoring a room (which could carry their name), and a 'buy a brick' scheme for smaller donations.
- 5. Community operation continues with its perennial stresses. The social enterprise relies on paid staff and a very fragile workforce of Companions, and juggling the tasks to provide a stimulating work environment for everyone whilst not pushing people too far out of their comfort zone is always a challenge. Nevertheless the community and its social enterprise turned over just over a million pounds this year for the first time.
- 6. Emmaus Cambridge is fully committed to continuing to work in partnership with SCDC to alleviate homelessness and poverty in Cambridgeshire. We provide furniture at a very reduced price to people referred from agencies supporting people living on the edge.
- 7. In 2012, a group of researchers talked to companions and staff members in seven communities across the UK, trying to establish the main outcomes of Emmaus's work. Their research found that for every £1 invested in an established Emmaus community, £11 is generated in social, environmental and economic returns. See "http://www.emmaus.org.uk/impact

Report Author: Councillor Hazel Smith - Milton Ward

