

PUBLIC SERVICES COMMISSIONERS' CO-ORDINATING BOARD

Meeting: 16 March 2009
At: 2.00 pm

PRESENT

John Schultz - Chief Executive, Stockport Council (Chair) in the chair
Heather Edwards – Service Director (Finance) Business Services Directorate, Stockport Council
Supt. Alison Fletcher - J Division, Greater Manchester Police
Ged Lucas – Corporate Director, Adults & Communities and Deputy Chief Executive, Stockport Council
Gaynor Mullins - Stockport Primary Care Trust
Viv Robinson - Job Centre Plus
Andrew Webb - Corporate Director, Children & Young People, Stockport Council

Also in attendance

Glenn Fairhall - Improvement & Performance Officer, Stockport Council
Steve Fox - Principal Democratic Services Officer, Stockport Council
Louise Richardson - Head of Policy and Scrutiny, Stockport Council
Andrea Stewart - Head of Improvement & Performance, Stockport Council

Apologies for absence

Marie Gillott - Jobcentre Plus
Steve Houston - Corporate Director, Business Services, Stockport Council
Elaine McLean - Corporate Director, Environment & Economy, Stockport Council
Richard Popplewell - Chief Executive, Stockport Primary Care Trust
Christine Troughton - Learning & Skills Council
Chief Supt Neil Wain - J Division, Greater Manchester Police

1. MINUTES

The minutes (copies of which had been circulated) of the meeting held on 6 January 2009 were approved as a correct record.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were made.

3. MAKING THE MOST OUT OF THE CAA FRAMEWORK

Andrea Stewart submitted a report (copies of which had been circulated) providing a summary of the CAA Framework, identifying issues which would improve the performance management framework and requesting the Board to consider and approve a project initiation document. Andrea and Glenn Fairhall gave a presentation on the proposed project and answered members' questions.

RESOLVED – (1) That the report be noted.

(2) That Andrea Stewart be requested to consult further with board members concerning the project initiation document and submit an updated version to the next meeting of the Board for final approval.

4. BUSINESS CONTINUITY PLANNING

Heather Edwards gave a presentation on Business Continuity Planning explaining the continuity strategy, governance arrangements, continuity plans and training. She explained the benefits of adopting a partnership approach to Business Continuity and confirmed that the Business Continuity Group would identify key areas which partners could test together and identifying resources and timescales.

The Board recognised the benefits of joint working in respect to this issue and agreed that a collaborative approach be adopted.

RESOLVED – That the report be noted.

5. LOCAL AREA AGREEMENT (LAA) - 2008-11 REVIEW AND REFRESH

Louise Richardson submitted a report (copies of which had been circulated) detailing the contents of the refreshed LAA as at 13 March 2009. She explained that although there were a few outstanding issues it was intended that the final LAA would be finalised by 26 March 2009 and would be sent to central government ready for final approval.

RESOLVED - That the report be noted.

6. INFORMATION EXCHANGE

Greater Manchester Police

Supt. Alison Fletcher reported on a recent event which had taken place in Brinnington in respect to participatory budgeting. The event had been a resounding success with in excess of 250 participants and £30,000 of grants being distributed.

Job Centre Plus

Viv Robinson reported that efforts were being made to train advisors and increase their awareness of the needs and requirements of unemployed people with business/professional expertise.

RESOLVED - That the reports be noted.

7. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

RESOLVED - That the next meeting be held on Monday, 9 June 2009 at 2.00 pm.

The meeting closed at 3.20 pm.