

BOARD MEETING OF THE NORTH NORFOLK COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP

Notes of Decisions from the NNCP Board Meeting held on 20th July 2011, North Norfolk District Council Offices, Holt Road, Cromer NR27 9EN at 2:00 p.m.

Members Present:

Philip Burton (Chair)	North Norfolk District Council
Helen Eales (Cllr)	North Norfolk District Council
Debbie Bartlett	Norfolk County Council
Hilary Thompson (Cllr)	Norfolk County Council
Jon Clemo	Norfolk Rural Community Council
Linda Rogers	Voluntary Norfolk

Officers in attendance:

Rob Young	Coastal & Community Partnerships Manager
John Mullen	Community Projects Manager

1 WELCOME AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Philip Burton welcomed Board members to the meeting.

Apologies were received from John Archibald – Victory Housing Trust, Peter Mayne – Paston 6th Form College and the North Norfolk Business Forum

2 MINUTES

a. For The NNCP Board Meeting of the 21st March 2011

The minutes of the 21st March 2011 NNCP meeting were agreed as a true and accurate record.

b. For The Joint Meeting Of The Board And The Chairs Of vcsTogether and the Local Area Partnerships

The minutes of the joint meeting of the Board and Chairs of vcsTogether and the Local Area Partnerships were approved.

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

None

3 NEW BUSINESS ITEMS

a. North Walsham Leadership Of Place Project – Proposal For Funding

Decision – **AGREED IN PRINCIPLE** to support the funding request

£50,000 for project support

£10,000 for feasibility study of St Nicholas Court

This agreement is subject to members of the Board signing off a more detailed résumé of the purpose, process and plans for applying the funding.

It was further agreed that this would be compiled and circulated for endorsement.

b. Wells Maltings Trust – Proposal For Funding

Decision – **AGREED** that the funding request for £19,711 be approved to secure the salary and support costs of the Project Development Manager until 31st March

2012 during which time the plan to dissolve the Wells Area Partnership and incorporate its role into the Wells Maltings Trust would be implemented.

4 DISCUSSIONS ON THE WAY FORWARD FOR LOCALISM IN NORTH NORFOLK

The Board discussions focussed on three strands

- a) Future funding arrangements regarding the County Councils share of the 2nd Homes Council tax.
- b) The future of the North Norfolk Community Partnership and possible alternative arrangements for partnership working e.g. a standing conference and task/finish networking events/projects.
- c) Future arrangement for Community Engagement/Localism

The County Council will be discussing the funding agreement with the district councils at the forthcoming Leaders meeting on the 2nd September 2011. It was therefore agreed that the Board should meet again at the end of September to consider and confirm arrangements for partnership working and community engagement in North Norfolk when the outcome of these discussions is known. Prior to that meeting, it was proposed that a workshop should be held to enable the views of the LAPs, VCS and other non-Board member partners to be captured and fed into the Board's deliberations.

In the meantime it was agreed that:

- a) vcsTogether and the Local Area Partnerships would be funded until 31st March 2012
- b) vcsTogether and the Local Area Partnerships should be advised that the current funding régime will end on the 31st March 2012. No assumptions should be made about funding beyond that date. However, a new funding strategy to support localism and community engagement will be developed during the intervening period, allied to decisions on the style and nature of partnership working in the district.

5 NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held at the end of September, date and venue to be advised.