



Executive Meeting

20 October 2004
14:00-16:00
St Peter's House

Notes of meeting

Item		Action By
1	<p>Present: Caroline Schwaller – Keighley CVS; Corine Campbell – CBMDC; Frank Hanley – CBMDC; Eleanor Green – Bradford NHS; Jane Gregory – LGB Network; Jenny Scott – Springfield Tenants & Residents</p> <p>In attendance: Paula Halliwell, Liz Hanney – Bradford Vision; Evie Chandler, Mick Charlton, Steve Skinner –Community Development Policy Unit, CBMDC; Dave Moss – Regen CBMDC</p> <p>Apologies: Titch Kavanagh; Anthony Clipsom – Bradford CVS; Sally Collins – Bradford Vision; Sue Gledhill – Community Network; Ann Griffin – Bradford District Women's Forum; Paul North – CBMDC (representing Roz Hall); Asif Hussain, Asian Disability Network, Tony Sheeky – CD&LL, Council</p>	
2	<p>Minutes of last meeting</p> <p>Approved as correct record of the meeting. It was noted that attendance had declined in the last quarter and some people had not attended for over 3 months. Reasons for this needed to be examined and action needed to be taken.</p> <p>It was agreed that notes from the Extraordinary Meeting on 29 October discussing BCP response to the proposed Community Development Service cuts needed to be circulated- <i>attached to these minutes</i></p>	<p>Evie to lead</p> <p>Evie</p>

<p>3</p>	<p>BCP MOA with VISION</p> <p>Caroline explained that the MOA between BCP and VISION needed to be finalised before the VISION Board meeting on 8/12/04.</p> <p>The MOA was a generic “goodwill” document, which had been sent to all VISION partnerships, including BCP. It outlined the framework within which BCP would contribute to VISION objectives and outcomes. It was based on the performance management framework that GOYH had asked VISION and its constituent partnerships to adopt.</p> <p>The following were agreed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In principle it was acceptable to sign the overarching MOA, though a final copy may have to be adapted to the needs of BCP • Must explore how the MOA fits current BCExec work programmes and priorities. Also need to explore resource implications of having a MOA which requires frequent performance monitoring and reporting. Paula agreed to draft a paper looking at these issues and present at next meeting 	<p>Paula H for next meeting</p>
<p>4</p>	<p>ISO Commissioning Sub Group</p> <p>More representatives from CVS were needed to join the group.</p> <p>It was agreed that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CNet would be approached to help recruit reps. • A “person-specification” needed to be circulated at next Board meeting to be used by CNet in recruiting reps. 	<p>Caroline to talk to C Net Tony Sheeky to prepare PS</p>
<p>4</p>	<p>General Compact</p> <p>Frank reported on progress with the COMPACT within the Council. It was felt that the Equality Forum perhaps ought to become involved in driving this forward.</p> <p>It was noted that the PCT’s were at different stages with Compact development.</p> <p>It was agreed that Caroline would write to VISION</p>	<p>Caroline to</p>

	Partnership Chairs to ask about progress with COMPACT implementation.	write to Chairs
5	<p>VISION response to CDS consultation</p> <p>Paula reported on discussions within VISION on the issue. It was noted that VISION Board needed to explore how individual VISION partners could be approached and influenced on internal matters that had an effect on other VISION members, as was the case here. It was further noted that CDS abolition would have an effect on VISION's ability to deliver the agreed Community Strategy.</p>	
6	<p>BC Action Plan</p> <p><i>Titch was off sick, therefore the planned workshop-based discussion could not proceed.</i></p> <p>The following were agreed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BCEXEC would record its profound thanks to all volunteers who participated in Action Plan drafting groups • 3 thematic working groups were now needed to look at Action Plan implementation. The themes would be: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Supporting Community Development ○ Supporting Participation ○ Supporting Groups <p>The following were mandated by the those present to lead each group as Guardians:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Caroline and Paula – Supporting Community Development ○ Jenny – Supporting Groups ○ Liz Hanney – Supporting Participation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Titch would organise a meeting of Guardians asap 	Titch to progress
7	<p>CNet-VISION protocol</p> <p>Deferred for next meeting</p>	Sue Gledhill
8	<p>CDS Update</p> <p>The following points were noted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The consultation about CDS closures had resulted in about 80 replies • Council Executive did not receive the report that Corine had prepared about the result of this consultation • The Executive's decision was now called in for 	

	<p>scrutiny by the relevant Council Improvement Board, after which the Council Executive would need to reconsider the issue during its meeting on 30.11.04.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Most consultees pointed out that the timescale for change was unrealistic and would not allow for smooth transition from the current system of community development support to a new one. • Full Council had met the previous night and an amendment was carried to keep the status quo • The proposal that following abolition of CD&LL, CDS should be transferred to Social Services was of concern given that Social Services had significant budget overspends which needed to be addressed in the next 2 years. It was agreed that Caroline and Eleanor should write to Council to comment on the proposed positioning of CDS in SS. • There was significant concern regarding the abolition of the post of Director for Community Development and Lifelong Learning. It was felt that the voice and influence of the Community and Voluntary sector would be greatly weakened within the Council in the absence of a dedicated high-level post advocating for the sector within Council. 	<p>Caroline & Eleanor</p>
<p>9</p>	<p>VISION issues</p> <p>Caroline informed those present that she was involved in a small group looking at VISION structures development, a task that VISION had been asked to undertake by Government Office.</p> <p>Streamlining various VISION sub-partnerships was expected.</p> <p>VISION Chief Executive would leave at the end of December and plans for her replacement were currently being considered. An Interim Chief Executive would be appointed until a recruitment process for new Chief Executive was put in place.</p>	
<p>10</p>	<p>Local Area Agreement</p> <p>Dave Moss introduced this item. Bradford had been selected as a 3-year pilot from April 05. Various Government funds and grants currently in use in the District would be pooled in a “single pot” to make progress with the following:</p>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Safer and Stronger Communities • Young People and Children • Older People and health <p>The LAA pilot submission would be co-ordinated by the Council and needed to be at Government Office by 30.1104. The Council would be the “accountable body” for the LAA which would last for 3 years from 1.4.05.</p> <p>Extensive and lengthy discussion followed after which the following were agreed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dave Moss will provide a briefing note for Caroline • Frank will draft an information note for BCExec outlining funds BCExec currently is responsible for and suggest how they should be pooled if need be. 	<p>Dave Moss</p> <p>Frank Hanley</p>
	<p>Next meeting</p> <p>Wednesday 1 December, 14:00- 16:00, C-Net offices.</p> <p>Evie will circulate the list of future meetings for finalisation at next meeting</p>	<p>Evie</p>