



The North Somerset Partnership is the local strategic partnership for the district. It brings together a range of partners from public organisations, private businesses and voluntary and community groups to work together to improve quality of life for everyone in North Somerset.

STAKEHOLDER BULLETIN

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Welcome to the North Somerset Partnership (NSP) E-Bulletin. Our aim is to keep you informed about the work of the NSP and its associated delivery partnerships.

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Board meeting update

April 2009

The April meeting was the first to use the new format agreed for Board meetings.

- The Board agreed that the Children's Trust Management Board would become a delivery partnership of the NSP in its own right.
- The focus of the discussion workshop was 'Responding to the Recession'. Partners had contributed background information regarding the effect of the economic downturn on their organisations and clients and suggested possible actions to take forward. Board members discussed these issues and suggested actions and agreed three to develop further. These were:
 - Developing an emergency fund for voluntary and community groups in crisis
 - Coordinating and signposting advice services available to those struggling in the recession
 - Considering how to promote sustainable lifestyles and continuing action on climate change issues.

Reports on these actions will be brought to the next Board meeting.

July 2009

- The Board agreed to increase the membership of the Executive to nine to ensure a good representation across sectors and shared priorities, as well as agreeing the new governance handbook.
- The Board asked the Executive to consider additional resources and actions that could help Local Area Agreement indicators where performance reward grant can be claimed to achieve the minimum thresholds
- The Board considered initial findings from the Comprehensive Area Assessment and in particular considered how to sustain improvement in our most deprived and vulnerable communities.

- o To support this discussion Sara Brown, from the South Ward Neighbourhood Management Programme, gave a presentation showing the successes and lessons learnt in South Ward.
- o The Board looked again at its recession action plan with partners giving an update on the work that had been agreed at the last meeting.

Further information can be found on the NSP Website at www.northsomersetpartnership.org.uk

New website launched

Have you visited our newly designed website yet? We hope that you find it more welcoming and attractive, as well as easier to navigate.

Try www.northsomersetpartnership.org.uk and let us know what you think.

SCS Summary

A summary of the SCS is being developed and will be available shortly. We apologise for the delay in having this ready. If you would like a copy please contact us.

Date for your diary

NSP Annual Event

Date: 23 November 2009

Time: 10am –1pm

Place: Winter Gardens, Weston-super-Mare

Please put the date in your diary and watch out for further information.

If you would like any further information on items mentioned in the Bulletin, or have any comments please contact: northsomersetpartnership@n-somerset.gov.uk