



## Representative Report to Network Members

Meeting Name:	DtS Board
Meeting Date:	13 <sup>th</sup> July 2010

### Key agenda items:

- 1) Director's Report
- 2) Intervention at DMBC
- 3) First Quarter New Performance Management Reports
- 4) Borough Strategy
- 5) Local Development Framework Update
- 6) Local Enterprise Partnerships
- 7) Developing a Transport Strategy for South Yorkshire
- 8) Developing a New Approach to Collaborative Working in Doncaster

### 1) Directors Report – Steve Nesbit

- The Government are seeking to make 25% budget cuts.
- Regional Development Agencies will be closed by March 2012. Local Enterprise Partnerships will be established in their place.
- The Strategic Health Authority will close.
- There is a review of Government Offices. London will close. We will know about Yorkshire and the Humber by September.
- Comprehensive Area Assessments have ceased.
- LAA reward grant has ceased, but it was stressed that LAA's remain in place at least to March and partners should seek to deliver the targets.
- The Places Survey has ceased.
- Place Based Budgeting will replace Total Place.
- The Comprehensive Spending Review will take place on 20 October.
- Transport schemes over £5m are suspended, this affects White Rose Way and FARRRS (the proposed airport link road).
- There are significant impacts on schemes around the Children's agenda.
- The DtS Communications Group met recently. This is progressing well.
- From next week the DtS Board will change its name to 'Doncaster Together'.
- There will be a paper on the role of elected members in the LSP at the next meeting.

## **2) Intervention at DMBC – Rob Vincent**

- The intervention will take place over 3 years, but there will be a review sooner than this and it could end earlier.
- Although in post only for 18 months, Rob stated that he intends to fully take on this role.
- It is Rob's second week. He has been welcomed warmly, and is currently setting up one to ones with partners.
- The 3 Commissioners are John Harmon, Jessica Crowe and Julie Kinney. They meet this Thursday and intend their role to be 'backstop'.
- The Recovery Board will comprise 10 people who are still to be announced. It will meet quarterly and the Mayor and Sandra Holland will attend the meetings.

## **3) First Quarter New Performance Management Reports – Jim Drake**

- Safer Doncaster – overall performance is green although anti social behaviour and domestic violence remain challenges.
- Stronger & Sustainable – the Community Involvement Strategy is a key piece of work, improvement is needed in relation to Culture.
- Children's Trust – A plan is being developed, they are looking at an outcomes focus, NEETS is not getting worse but this is not reflected in the report, although the statutory requirement for a trust may cease, it is likely that Doncaster will retain one.
- Healthier Doncaster – there was discussion around the targets connected to mortality, self directed support and carers.

## **4) Borough Strategy – Howard Monk**

- A revised proposal will be circulated to partners.
- Sign off may be brought forward
- There may be one large consultation event
- The Enterprising Board may have a lead role in consulting on the vision to reflect the priority given to the economy and enterprise and to integrate across other thematic areas.

## **5) Local Development Framework Update – Andy Gutherson**

- The Enterprising Board has consulted with Housebuilders. They will focus on marketable sites but recognise the political and social aspirations of the Board.

## **6) Local Enterprise Partnerships**

- These will be a collaboration between the public and private sectors, with a private sector lead.
- Doncaster will work with the Sheffield City Region area.
- A meeting is to happen this week. Doncaster must identify who will represent it at the partnership.

- The PCT and Doncaster CVS raised the need to consider social enterprise within this development.
- The Mayor stated that he will also seek to develop ad hoc relationships with other towns and cities such as York.

### **7) Developing a Transport Strategy for South Yorkshire**

- David updated the board on progress.
- The Mayor stated that he wishes to see more Doncaster specific strands in the strategy. For instance, car usage is a key priority for the Mayor who is also the portfolio holder for transport.

### **8) Developing a New Approach to Collaborative Working in Doncaster**

- This item focussed on the key impacts likely to affect DMBC, the PCT and the Police, and how partners could better work together to rationalise resources.
- DMBC – there will be savings of around £80m over 4 years. This will impact heavily on staffing and re-thinking around services.
- PCT – a White Paper has just been published containing major reforms. For instance, there will be a real increase in the budget, but £1billion savings in bureaucracy, PCT's to be abolished by 2013, commissioning powers to be transferred to practitioners, local authorities are to set up Well-Being Boards, more freedoms for foundation trusts, and the Director of Public Health to be moved to the local authority.
- Police – there will be less resource available and increased demand.

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