

**NORTH YORKSHIRE STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP**

**ADULT STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP & HEALTHIER COMMUNITIES**  
**THEMATIC PARTNERSHIP**

**JOINT MEETING OF THE ABOVE GROUPS**

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON**

**30 January 2007**

**Meeting Room 2, County Hall, Northallerton**

**Present:**

- Andrew Clark, Director of Public Health, North Yorkshire & York PCT (Chair)
- Mike Gibson, Service Head: Strategy & Performance, A&CS, NYCC
- Neil Revely, Assistant Director, Commissioning & Partnerships, A&CS, NYCC
- Julie Blaisdale, Assistant Director, Library & Community Services, A&CS, NYCC
- Helen Christmas, Health Improvement Manager, North Yorkshire & York PCT/Selby District Council
- Elaine Schofield, Head of Health Improvement, North Yorkshire & York PCT
- Margaret Wilkinson, Public Health Information Specialist, North Yorkshire & York PCT/Yorkshire & the Humber Public Health Observatory
- Nagpal Hoysal, Specialist Registrar in Public Health, North Yorkshire & York PCT
- Phil Broomhead, Special Projects Manager, Environmental Services, NYCC
- Martin Connor, Chief Executive, Selby District Council
- Andy Skelton, Scarborough Borough Council, (attending on behalf of David Archer)
- Alex Bird, Age Concern North Yorkshire (representing the Voluntary Sector in North Yorkshire)
- Elaine Owen, South Craven Community Action (representing the Voluntary Sector in North Yorkshire)
- Fran Lett, Principal Education Officer (Adult Learning), NYCC
- Ian Bitcon, Head of Community Risk, North Yorkshire Fire & Rescue Service
- Gemma Cuss, NHS Management Trainee
- Sallyann Deans, Modernisation & Change Team, A&CS, NYCC (Minutes)

**Apologies:**

- Derek Law, Corporate Director of Adult & Community Services (A&CS), NYCC
- Cath Doman, Adult Services Modernisation Manager, A&CS, NYCC
- David Archer, Strategic Director of Operations, Scarborough Borough Council (representing all North Yorkshire's District/Borough Councils)
- Rachel Johns, Director of Public Health, North Yorkshire & York PCT
- Paul Lightfoot, Director of Care Services, Broadacres Housing Association
- Alison Leslie, Temporary Superintendent, North Yorkshire Police
- David Watson, North Yorkshire Sport
- Janet Probert, Director of Operations, North Yorkshire & York PCT
- Mike Padgham, Independent Care Group

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**ASP 51/07****Apologies, Minutes of last Meeting (06/12/06) & Matters Arising**

Apologies (above) were noted. AC welcomed attendees.

The minutes of the meeting on 06/12/06 were agreed as a true record.

There was one matter arising from the minutes of the last meeting. NR reiterated his request for multi-agency funding to support new Physical and Sensory Impairment Reference Groups which will provide a vehicle for consultation and involvement in North Yorkshire.

A decision was not taken on the funding arrangements at the last meeting and representatives had been asked to discuss with their respective organisations whether or not they wished to contribute and bring their decisions back to this meeting.

In the interim NR and colleagues have continued with preparations for setting up the groups and NYCC's Legal Services are advising on terms of reference. Adverts are being drawn up to invite participation from the voluntary and independent sectors.

NR reminded group members of the sums he was seeking from the statutory agencies within North Yorkshire:

- PCT = £15,000
- Ambulance service = £5,000
- District Councils = £30,000 in total (amounting to approximately £4,000 per District)
- Fire & Rescue service = £5,000
- Police = £5,000

He also reminded members of the value of creating Reference Groups for the purposes of statutory consultation.

AC informed NR that he is due to speak to Jane Marshall, the newly appointed Director of Commissioning and Service Development at North Yorkshire and York PCT this week about the issue and will contact NR direct with the outcome of this discussion.

**AC**

IB informed NR that North Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service are unable to provide funding towards the project due to rules governing the service. The organisation would, however, be in a position to provide support with resourcing the Reference Groups. NR and IB will hold a discussion outside this meeting about this issue.

**NR/IB**

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Some other organisations had not yet had the opportunity to discuss their participation and funding. However, for the purposes of this meeting the group agreed in principle that statutory agencies (excluding the Fire and Rescue Service) within North Yorkshire would contribute an amount towards the creation of the Reference Groups. NR will readjust the figures and will now contact each of the organisations to discuss the logistics of arranging the funding.

NR

On a related issue NR reminded the group that there was only one day remaining in the Equal Lives Strategy consultation period (due to end on 31 January) and that any further comments should be submitted to him as soon as possible. AC informed NR that he will be commenting on behalf of North Yorkshire and York PCT by the consultation deadline.

AC

Another item was raised at this point of the meeting. Following a discussion at the previous meeting (6 December) a decision was taken for the Adult Strategic Partnership and the Healthier Communities Thematic Partnership to meet as one group as a more permanent arrangement, to be kept under review. As part of his remit as Director of Adult Social Services (DASS), DL is required to operate a partnership group for Vulnerable Adults. He views the ASP as the vehicle to carry out this requirement.

**Therefore the decision was taken that one group will continue to meet. This will consist of all members of the current Healthier Communities and Adult Strategic Partnerships. Meetings will take place in two parts. Agenda items of common interest will be discussed as a discrete part of the meeting. Items specific to the Vulnerable Adults members only will be discussed once other members have left the meeting. Meetings will take place on a quarterly basis.**

ASP 52/07

#### **Update on progress from all LAA Outcome Leads**

NR and ES reported back to the group on progress on the LAA stretch targets. JB reported back to the group on target ASP 2 (a non-stretch target).

NR reported that he is still in discussion with GOYH on elements of the ASP stretch targets. Under ASP 4 he was asked to consider adding a second indicator – intensive home care as a percentage of intensive home and residential care. The final stretch for this target is 26% and NR is confident that it will be signed off as is.

Under ASP 6 GOYH requested that this target be reflected as the

number of people per 100,000 receiving Direct Payments. This target is considered to be worth 50% of the reward. NR is trying to negotiate for it to be worth 75% of the reward by slightly increasing the stretch. This is still under negotiation.

ASP 10 – Improved protection of vulnerable adults from all forms of abuse. North Yorkshire is the first Strategic Partnership to propose this outcome which has been welcomed by the Department of Communities and Local Government (DCLG), but has made it more difficult to finally agree as there are no existing benchmark arrangements. NR has agreed with DCLG that a questionnaire will be completed by service users at the conclusion of adult protection cases with a minimum requirement of 60% satisfaction at the closure/resolution of their case. In addition an audit of practice must take place at the conclusion of each case with a minimum of 90% demonstrating that all procedures have been followed satisfactorily.

NR noted that, given the sensitive nature of many adult protection cases it would not necessarily be appropriate to carry out a 100% sample of all service users. Therefore Audit Commission advice is that a 70% sample is sufficient.

CSCI were disappointed that an indicator on adult protection training for staff was not originally included in this outcome. Therefore an indicator has been added, but NR advised that this indicator may be removed before the final LAA submission is made.

ASP 11 – Improve disability equipment services including electronic assistive technology/telecare. NR reported that this has been a relatively straightforward target to agree. DCLG has requested that an extra stretch be applied to the number of older people and people with a physical or sensory impairment benefiting from non-care managed services.

ES reported back on the current status of the two Healthier Communities stretch targets.

Smoking prevalence in pregnancy is a stretch target that is worth 50% of the reward grant. It is set at a fairly challenging 2% reduction in the proportion of mothers known to smoke during pregnancy.

The original performance measure for the HC/5 outcome - increasing participation in sport and physical activity was via an active people survey. However, GOYH were not satisfied with a stretch target based solely on a survey and requested that more 'measurable' indicators be used. Therefore 50% of the reward

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was changed to reflect an additional target on improving leisure centre attendance rates.

However, a change has occurred with this outcome very recently and the leisure centre target element has been removed. Therefore this stretch outcome has now reverted to the original indicator using only the active people survey.

AB informed ES that she is currently working on a Regional Communities bid regarding increasing physical activity. One aspect of this bid is the Thirsk Engaged project taking place in May 2007. This will include activity taster sessions for older people. She thought that it would be a good opportunity for obtaining baseline data for this stretch outcome. AB to discuss with ES outside this meeting.

**AB/ES**

The group discussed the possibility of using data from private providers to 'count' towards the achievement of outcomes if the private providers are carrying out the same, or a similar function to the one being measured. For example, MC explained that a private provider of leisure facilities has just set up a gym in the Selby area. The private provider, by offering competitive rates, is taking business away from Council-operated leisure facilities. However, overall, the number of people taking up physical activity has probably risen as a result of the new facility. With regard to the HCTP stretch target of increasing physical activity amongst people in the County, it would be a huge boost to figures if it were possible to count the private providers' figures in addition to the District Council figures. MC offered to investigate with private providers in the Selby area whether this would be possible. The group was in general agreement and noted that the issue of using data from private providers could also be applied to other LAA outcomes.

**MC**

The above discussion contributed to JB's report on the outcome for which she is the lead officer (ASP 2 Increase participation in learning, cultural and leisure activities by older people). It would be beneficial to this target if other provider figures could be used. For example, currently ASP/2/b only seeks to increase the number of people aged 50 or over participating in adult learning activities run by the Adult Learning Service. If it was possible to 'count' figures supplied by alternative adult learning providers it could supplement the figures substantially.

**ASP 53/07**

### **Review of outstanding LAA work**

AC raised the issue of LSPs which are seen to be the vehicles for delivering some parts of the LAA, e.g. the physical activity targets. MC, who is Chair of the Selby LSP pointed out that LSPs do not have resources to be in a position to deliver LAA targets. A further

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discussion will have to take place on this issue in due course.

MG reported that major corporate work is currently underway into developing robust performance management arrangements for the NYSP's delivery of the entire LAA. A meeting on 26 February which all LAA Outcome Leads should attend will establish one County-wide method of performance reporting.

MG noted that detailed delivery plans such as the one distributed by JB at this meeting will have to be developed for all outcomes. ES reported that the HC non-stretch targets should not present any difficulty with regarding to developing delivery plans as most are existing targets and already have action plans.

MG advised that a further piece of work will be to break down County-wide targets to district level.

**ASP 54/07**

**Any Other Business and Date of Next Meeting**

There was no other business.

The group discussed the timings of future meetings, given that the intensive period of work on the Local Area Agreement is now almost complete, and the agreement that the two groups will continue to meet jointly in the future. It was therefore decided to hold meetings on a quarterly basis. MG suggested that meetings should be held between the dates of Adult & Community Services own quarterly Performance Management meetings and full NYSP/LAA Monitoring Group meetings.

SD to investigate suitable dates and to contact group members with future meeting dates as soon as possible.

**SD**

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