

ADULT STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP (ASP) and HEALTHIER COMMUNITIES THEMATIC PARTNERSHIP (HCTP)

Joint Meeting of 6 December 2006

KEY MESSAGES

The group agreed to meet as one group as a more permanent arrangement, to be kept under review. The reasons for this are:

- Both groups share very much the same key objectives around health and wellbeing.
- There are common members of both groups. It is thought that only being required to attend one meeting will make better use of those members' time.
- One group can operate more efficiently than two groups.

As part of his remit as Director of Adult Social Services (DASS), Derek Law is required to operate a partnership group for Vulnerable Adults. 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. 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.

Mike Gibson presented a report on suggested performance management arrangements for the Adult Strategic Partnership. There was broad agreement with his recommendations. Given the previous discussion there was also agreement that the Healthier Communities group use the same performance management arrangements and to join these up where possible. There will need to be further discussion about performance management before final arrangements can be put into place.

Nominated lead officers are responsible for individual Local Area Agreement outcomes and targets. A decision was taken that the lead officers will be accountable for working with colleagues in District Councils and Local Strategic Partnerships to ensure there are local delivery plans for each of the targets.

Neil Revely presented a report on the draft Physical and Sensory Impairment 'Equal Lives' Strategy which is currently out for consultation. Neil sought the views of the group as part of the consultation exercise. There are various mechanisms for feeding back views on the document. These are:

- Web: Via www.northyorks.gov.uk (link highlighted on home page). It is possible to feed back online
- Email: equal.lives@northyorks.gov.uk
- Post: Equal Lives Consultation, Adult & Community Services, County Hall, Racecourse Lane, Northallerton, DL7 8DD
- Tel: 01609 532603 (24 hour answer phone)
- Fax: Addressed to Equal Lives Consultation – 01609 532025

Comments are invited from any organisation or member of the public.

Neil Revely also sought agreement from the group 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. The group agreed to take the proposals back to their own organisations for discussions at an early date.