

**Minutes of a Meeting of One South Lakeland Board held in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Kendal on: Wednesday 12 December 2012 at 3.00 p.m.**



**Present**

**Members**

*Graham Wilkinson (Chairman)*  
*Robin Battersby*  
*Cath Davenport*  
*Enid Fraser*  
*Carl Lis*  
*Mark Pannone*  
*Peter Thornton*  
*Maria Whitehead*  
*Lawrence Conway*

*Principal, Kendal College*  
*Senior Development Officer, CVS*  
*Chair, South Westmorland Local Area Partnership*  
*Executive Officer, South Lakes Federation*  
*Chairman, Yorkshire Dales National Park Authority*  
*Chief Superintendent, Cumbria Police*  
*Leader, South Lakeland District Council*  
*Cumbria LEP & Director, Hawkeshead Relish Ltd*  
*Chief Executive, South Lakeland District Council*

**Also in Attendance**

*Claire Gould*  
*John Greenbank*  
*John Gorman*  
*Daniel Hughes*  
*Nina Hill*

*Policy & Partnerships Manager, SLDC*  
*South Lakeland District Council*  
*Cumbria Partnership, NHS*  
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<p><b>1. WELCOME &amp; INTRODUCTIONS</b></p> <p>The Chairman welcomed those present</p> <p>Due to some members having to leave early the Chairman proposed that the Board moved to Item 3 on the agenda to allow them to input into the workshop.</p> <p>AGREED – That the Board moves directly to item 3 on the agenda.</p>	
<p><b>2. COMMUNITY/PARTNERSHIP STRATEGY</b></p> <p>The Chairman Graham Wilkinson presented the proposal for the development of a Community Strategy for South Lakeland.</p> <p>He expressed the view that the Board needs to make a difference and not just be a 'talking shop'. As part of which the Board looked to its members to provide copies of their</p>	<p>Claire Gould</p>

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organisations Strategies so that common themes can be used in the development the One South Lakeland strategy.

The Chairman then hosted a workshop to map out and identify key priorities across organisations for commonality and links.

The areas that were discussed were;

- The Economy
  - Transport Links
  - Housing and Business development, such as the LDF
  - Inward Investment
  - Keeping & Attracting Skills to SL
  - Creating meaningful employment
  - Sharing Assets, e.g. Procurement, to reduce costs to all member organisations
  - Support local businesses by buying locally
  - Technology Infrastructure, such as broadband access
  
- Workplace Skills & Education
  - Incubation Scheme for young people wanting to start new businesses
  - Teaching life skills such as financial awareness to prepare students for when they leave education.
  - Promoting employment, people should take pride in their work of whatever their qualifications
  - Education infrastructure
  
- Sustainability of our own Organisation
  - Shared Assets (see Economy)
  - Procure locally to support businesses and promote growth in the area
  - Keeping Jobs in SL
  
- Environment
  - Protect local environment
  - The 'Green Gym' of the National Parks
  
- Healthy & Safe Communities
  - Support NHS schemes to promote Healthy living
  - Low crime rate, the lowest burglary rate in England and 5<sup>th</sup> lowest crime rate overall

AGREED - That the workshop had been a good start in identifying ideas to be included in the Community Strategy and that further discussion should take place at a future meeting.

**3. CUMBRIA PARTNERSHIP NHS FOUNDATION TRUST**

John Gorman, GP & Stakeholder Engagement Officer, introduced and gave a presentation on the future of the Cumbria Partnership NHS Foundation Trust.

As of April 2013 the NHS in Cumbria will undergo a number of changes to its structure as a result of Government reforms. The Strategic Health Authority and the Primary Care Trust (NHS Cumbria) will be replaced.

NHS Cumbria will be replaced by Cumbria Clinical Commissioning Group and will be responsible for commissioning most of the Health services in Cumbria. This new group will be GP led.

The Cumbria NHS Partnership is currently provides health care services such as Community Nursing, Mental Health Services and Stop Smoking Services.

**4. LOCAL AREA PARTNERSHIP UPDATE**

Cath Davenport provided a report on the work of South Lakelands LAP's. The Board was informed that the Local Area Partnerships funding was unlikely to continue next year and that the LAPs have allocated all their current funding to existing projects. These include;

- Men in Sheds – This aims to reduce the problem of elderly male loneliness by encouraging them to come and take part in activities such as woodworking and help them have somewhere to socialise.
- Village Agents
- The Purchase of wild flower seeds to encourage and protect the insect populations in rural areas.
- After school activity groups through positive engagement to give young people somewhere to socialise outside of school.
- 6 x Defibrillators for First Responders.
- Promote the use of Village Halls to maintain them as an asset for the community.

The LAPs remain concerned about reductions in rural transport and the effect that this may have on isolating people especially the elderly.

They have also been involved in effort to make roads safer through highway stewards and using speed checkers to reduce speed on road in the area.

AGREED – That the update be noted.

**5. ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

Cath Davenport asked whether the Board would receive any feedback on the Community Power-Up Scheme, which aims to help residents reduce their energy bills.

The board was informed that it would be presented with a report on the scheme in the new year, when all the data from the scheme has been brought together. A review of the scheme will take place at the end on January.

**6. DATE OF NEXT MEETINGS**

AGREED – That the next meeting of the One South Lakeland Partnership Group will be;

- 13 March 2013, in the Georgian Room of Kendal Town Hall.

The meeting ended at 4.50pm