Willenhall Local Neighbourhood Partnership – 27th February 2007

LNP pledges review

Purpose of the Report

To provide members with an update on progress of pledges, the process of the pledge review and request recommendations for each pledge (stage 1 of the pledge review).

Recommendations

- 1. For LNP members to note progress against each pledge
- 2. For LNP members to note the pledge review process
- 3. For LNP members to put forward suggestions for LNP pledges for 2007-2009
- 4. For the LNP to discuss each pledge and agree to either:
 - Sign off pledge as completed or completed as much as possible
 - Cross off pledge as unachievable by March 2007 or no longer a priority
 - Carry pledge forward to be considered in the new set of pledges as pledge has not been completed and is still a priority

Pledges Review

As the end of the municipal year is rapidly approaching it is time for the LNP to reflect on their achievements and revisit the pledges that were agreed in 2006. Over Feb/Mar/Apr the LNP, via CAG's and community consultation will go through the process of forming a set of new pledges for 2007-2009.

The pledge review process will consist of:

1. Reviewing current pledges and agreeing to:

- Sign off pledge as completed or completed as much as possible
- Cross off pledge as unachievable by March 2007 or no longer a priority
- Carry pledge forward to be considered in the new set of pledges as pledge has not been completed and is still a priority

A summary of the current progress against pledges is attached.

2. Setting new pledges:

This will incorporate feedback the LNP team has received from the networking lunches and the bus tour the LNP team are undergoing in partnership with physical regeneration. Both events have allowed local people to have a say in what the LNP could look at. In addition to this CAG's will allow members and the public to put forward their suggestions for pledges. The CAG scheduled for 15th March will provide the opportunity for LNP members and the public to put forward their suggestions. LNP members are encouraged to attend this CAG.

3. Finalise new set of pledges:

Before and during the finalising of pledges service providers will be involved to indicate how they can support the LNP in delivering local priorities. The list of pledges will be prioritised to form a realistic work plan for the LNP. The final set of pledges will be approved at the June/July LNP meeting (first LNP meeting for the municipal year yet to be scheduled).

4. Action planning for new pledges:

Each pledge will be delivered via an action plan which will set out the actions the LNP will complete to achieve that particular pledge. The action plan will set out timescales and more

importantly which partner or service deliverer will be responsible and lead for each stage of the action plan.

The LNP are requested to note and comment on stage 1 'reviewing current pledges'

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Willenhall Pledges Progress Report

| Pledge | Action | Progress to Date |
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| Reduce Anti Social Behaviour in Willenhall | Gain ASB data from police/ASB unit identifying hotspots, ASB patterns | The LNP have received on going info on high crime areas, hot spots and ASB patterns. This has been provided mainly within CAG either verbally by the police or in stats format. |
| | Identifying appropriate measures tackling specific hotspots | The LNP have worked closely with the police to tackle specific hotspots this has included dispersal orders and more patrols |
| | Engage with partners – police, Walsall safer borough partnership (WBSP), youth services to jointly tackle issues and receive up to date information | A variety of partners have been attending CAG's and taking active part where possible. Partners have included the Police, SWBP, Youth services, Wardens and housing. Partners have provided information as requested by the LNP. |
| | Identify projects reducing ASB deliverable through local voluntary community groups | Vol/Comm groups such as Willenhall Community Forum have been involved in the LNP CAGs and had some input into how to tackle ASB. The LNP have also commissioned a project to improve an open green area which will reduce ASB problems in the area. Willenhall Community forum are taking a central role in this project by closely liaising with Black country groundwork who are delivering the project specifics. |
| | Monitor and influence work of agencies tackling ASB i.e. police, WBSP | Agencies such as SWBP and the police have been involved in the LNP and CAG's. Police reps have attended and taken on board member's suggestion for their work priorities, therefore the LNP in this way have been able to influence work of key agencies. |
| | Improving youth facilities and provisions in partnership with youth services. | Youth services have actively been attending LNP's and CAG's. The LNP have requested youth services and youth opinions unite to carry out a youth consultation, the LNP will consider funding the outcome with the aim to improve youth provisions. |
| To make the area more attractive and free from litter | Regular interaction with Street pride | Street pride reps have regularly attended LNP's and CAG's and where requested have provided information. |

| | Monitor street prides programme of schedules, budgets, timescales and where possible influence these services to ensure local needs are being met. | Although Streetpride have attended CAG's and LNP's the LNP have not to date influenced schedules, budgets and rotas. |
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| | Tackle hotspots for litter and fly-tipping through a partnership approach. | CSIG as part of its rota have targeted Willenhall area. This initiative will tackle hotspots of litter and fly-tipping. LNP members have the opportunity to highlight hotspots. |
| | Identify projects tackling litter and fly tipping which can be delivered through voluntary community groups. | The forest gate green project will improve litter problems, Willenhall Community Forum are involved in the project. No other projects or voluntary groups have been identified. |
| To keep up to date and influence future developments | Look at future land use | LNP have looked at future land use as part of reviewing the future regeneration programme. |
| | Keep up to date with developments of Black country study | The LNP have briefly discussed and considered the black country study. This action is very broad and only requires regular feedback from relevant agencies. LNP have not held any in-depth discussion around the black country study |
| | Engage with Urban Regeneration Company | Urban regeneration company have presented future development plans to the LNP. LNP have received info on future plans |
| | Engage with Business link | No link has been made with business link. Pledge has not progressed and needs to be more specific |
| | Engage Regeneration zone – Future foundation | No link has been made with regeneration zone. Pledge has not progressed and needs to be more specific |
| | Engage with Regeneration council departments | The LNP have worked closely with environmental regeneration. ER will be delivering 3 LNP projects, Environmental regeneration have facilitated and led on a number of CAG's |

LNP funded projects and links to pledges

2005/2006 projects:

| Project | Allocated | Pledge Link |
|---------------------------|-----------|--|
| Christmas Lights for 2005 | £11000 | No direct link |
| Community Safety | £5160 | Reduce Anti Social Behaviour in Willenhall |
| Youth Engagement | £11000 | Reduce Anti Social Behaviour in Willenhall |
| Summer concerts | £855 | No direct link |
| Christmas lights for 2006 | £4985 | No direct link |
| Totals | £33000 | |

2006/2007 projects:

| Project | Allocated | Pledge Link |
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| Short Heath/Lane Head - improve War Memorial on High Road | £5000 | To make the area more attractive and free from litter |
| Willenhall South - improve War Memorial on Little London which will enhance the current investment to improve the monument; | £5000 | To make the area more attractive and free from litter |
| Willenhall North village green - improve open space adj. to Rugeley Avenue going onto Forest Gate/Lichfield Road | £5000 | To make the area more attractive and free from litter |
| Totals | £15000 | |