

BRIGHTON & HOVE CITY COUNCIL
CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE'S TRUST BOARD

5.00pm, 8 SEPTEMBER 2008

COUNCIL CHAMBER, HOVE TOWN HALL

MINUTES

Present: Councillors: Mrs Brown (Chairman), Bennett, Fryer, Hawkes (Opposition Spokesperson) and Kemble

Brighton & Hove Primary Care Trust: Julian Lee (Deputy Chairman) and Darren Grayson

South Downs Health: Simon Turpitt and Mo Marsh

Non-Voting Co-optees:

David Standing, Community & Voluntary Sector Forum

Naima Noudjem, Community & Voluntary Sector Forum

Apologies:

Dr Louise Hulton, B&H City Primary Care Trust

Anne Caborn, South Downs Health

Rekha Rogers, Youth Council

Rob Scoble, Youth Council

PART ONE

19. PROCEDURAL BUSINESS

19a Declarations of Substitutes

19.1 There were none.

19b Declarations of Interest

19.2 Cllr Marsh declared a non-prejudicial interest in item 24 as the Ward Councillor for the Moulsecoomb area.

19.3 David Standing, representative of the Community & Voluntary Sector Forum, declared a non-prejudicial interest in item 24, in so much that he was involved with the YMCA.

19c Exclusion of Press and Public

19.4 The Board considered whether the press and public should be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of any items contained in the agenda, having regard to

the nature of the business to be transacted and the nature of the proceedings and the likelihood as to whether, if members of the press and public were present, there would be disclosure to them of confidential or exempt information as defined in Schedule 12A, Part 5A, Section 100A(4) or 100 1 of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended).

19.5 **RESOLVED** - That the press and public be not excluded from the meeting.

20. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

20.1 **RESOLVED** – That the minutes of the previous minutes held on 21 July 2008 be approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

21. CALLOVER

21.1 **RESOLVED** – The Chairman reserved all items for discussions.

22. CHAIRMAN'S COMMUNICATIONS

22.1 The Senior Lawyer clarified, on behalf of the Chairman, that the reports on items 23 and 24 did not make reference to a couple of procedural items. The reports related to key decisions and, as such, they should have identified the reasons for the recommendations and the details of any alternative options. The lawyer accepted that such information could be found in the body of the reports. She requested, however, that verbal clarification was made to it by the relevant officers.

23. PHASE 3 CHILDREN'S CENTRE

23.1 The Board considered a report of the Director of Children's Services regarding the Department for Children, Schools and Families request that Brighton & Hove agree the number and location of the third and final phase of Children's Centres to open by March 2010 (for copy see minute book).

23.2 The Head of Service, City Early Years and Childcare, explained that the reasons for the recommendations were to follow DCSF requirements. The proposal was to create three small children's centres to ensure citywide coverage, as per the DCSF requirements, whilst also ensuring full use was made of existing Children's Centres to improve their long-term sustainability.

23.3 Members welcomed the report and the fact that health implications had been considered. Members also welcomed Government guidance that local authorities filled in any remaining gaps where such services were needed to support local families.

23.4 **RESOLVED** – That, having considered the information and the reasons set out in the report, the Board accepted the following recommendations:

(1) That the use of £300,000 of the capital funding to ensure that the existing Children's Centres are fully functional by funding both maintenance and improvements to the existing buildings and outside spaces where needed be agreed.

- (2) That the development of three gateway Children's Centres in the following areas be agreed:
- Preston Park
 - Westdene
 - Rottingdean/Saltdean
- (3) That a review of whether an additional Children's Centre was needed in Hove be agreed, subject to a decision being made to develop a new school as part of the Primary Strategy for Change.
- (4) That, in accordance with Children's Centre Phase 3 Planning and Delivery Guidance, CYPT officers be requested to ask existing private, voluntary, independent or statutory services for children and families in the areas listed in (2) above, to express an interest in developing a Children's Centre based on an agreed specification.
- (5) That it be agreed to consult local families about the final location of the Children's Centre in each of these areas.

24. MYPLACE STRATEGY

- 24.1 The Board considered a report of the Director of Children's Services concerning Myplace Strategy, which informed members about the preparations being undertaken to submit a bid for Myplace funding, which would provide capital funding to build 'world class youth' facilities in Brighton & Hove (for copy see minute book).
- 24.2 Members welcomed the report and sought clarification about the timeframe for the bid's submission. The Commissioning Manager, Youth and Connexions Services, clarified that the outline proposal was for submission by 30 September 2008. The Director of Children's Services also explained that the bid required Member approval and that, by bringing the proposal to the Board, officers wished to secure both Member and Partner approval.
- 24.3 Naima Nouidjem, Community & Voluntary Sector Forum, enquired whether this project took account of BME young people's specific needs. The Assistant Director East Area, Early Years & NHS Commissioning explained that the proposal was for a city wide strategy and, therefore, it was for every young person. He further explained that individual youth hubs should be talking to members of their community about the specific needs of those communities.
- 24.6 Simon Turpitt, South Downs Health, indicated that one of the challenges for the health partners was how to engage with young people in matters relating to health and enquired whether this could be addressed within those youth hubs. The Assistant Director East Area, Early Years & NHS Commissioning, hoped this could be a way forward in relation to this matter. The youth hubs were expected to be centres of excellence with integrated teams, providing locally based services in order to improve resources within the

community. He indicated that officers would be bringing proposals to the next meeting of the Board meeting, outlining the mental health issues for young people.

24.7 **RESOLVED** – That, having considered the information and the reasons set out in the report, the Board accepted the following recommendation:

- (1) That the need analysis maps, suitability survey, draft Strategy for Change Framework and consultation with key stakeholders be noted.
- (2) That the proposal to submit a Myplace bid with the main focus being the redevelopment of the 67 Centre in Moulsecomb be approved, but with consideration given to linking this with smaller redevelopment projects in the other CYPT areas of the city.
- (3) That the proposal to work collaboratively with Hove YMCA to invite them to undertake more detailed work on the bid be approved.

The meeting concluded at 5.35pm.

Signed

Chairman

Dated this

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