



ONE BARNSELY OUTLOOK – Number 10 – January 2008

Happy New Year!

Happy New Year to all One Barnsley partners. This is the 10th edition of One Barnsley Outlook, an email bulletin about your Local Strategic Partnership which will appear at six week intervals.

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Key Headlines from the Delivery Partnerships

- £584,000 awarded to Barnsley's Play Strategy from the Big Lottery Fund.
- 28 establishments including the public and independent sectors have achieved the BFA Award in recognition of achieving high standards of support and facilities for breastfeeding families.
- The Stronger Neighbourhoods Initiative (SNI) for New Lodge and Athersley has been identified as one of the CLG Neighbourhood Charter National pilots.
- The current eco-footprint per person in Barnsley is 5.2 global hectares, 1.8 is the sustainable ideal.

Dates for your diaries

Please check 'at a glance' section on www.onebarnsley.com for event details.

Learning Lunches:

Tuesday February 15th – Culture in 21st Century Barnsley – Helen Ball @Cabinet Office, Town Hall

Tuesday March 18th – New Plans for Barnsley College – Steve Oddy @Cabinet Office, Town Hall

Tuesday May 20th – The threat of Obesity in Barnsley – Lorraine Lawson

Learning Lunches start at 12 and finish at 2pm. Please contact helenknox@barnsley.gov.uk to secure place.

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Points from Learning Lunches

Eco-footprinting – Jeff Evans – 27th November 2007

Jeff Evans gave a cautionary account of the effects of global warming and what Barnsley is doing to counter the increasing trend. The main points from the presentation included the following points:

- The difference between Carbon footprints and Eco-footprints was stressed. Carbon foot printing focuses on use of fuel at source. The latter is wide ranging encompassing other considerations. An Eco-footprint measures the area of productive land and sea required to produce the food and fibre they consume, absorb the waste from their energy consumption and provide space for infrastructure.
- Currently the ecological footprint in Barnsley is 5.2 global hectares per person. The UK average is 5.4%. The ideal footprint for sustainable living is 1.8 global hectares per person.
- Barnsley council will hit carbon reduction targets due to innovative use of biomass technology.

Comments from the attendees;

- Need to find ways to encourage small businesses to engage with this agenda. M & S changed their lorries for models that use 20% less fuel.
- How could public sector agencies benefit from BMBC in-house expertise? Could the police use more fuel efficient vehicles? Police were invited to the business breakfast on 30th January.
- Biomass currently costs £10 a tonne. Is there potential for Barnsley to market the expertise around biomass.
- Barnsley Hospital was interested in replacing an old boiler with a biomass alternative.

Think Local 2007 – Nigel Bath – 4th December 2007

Nigel Bath, Area Forum Officer for Penistone East and West delivered a presentation on what the public perceptions in 2007. The following important points were made:

- 4,321 people responded to 2007 questionnaire.
- Key messages for the public are;
- Council and others are doing good things.
- Improvement in community safety issues over last 2 years.
- Limited recognition of the resources put into activities for young people.
- Increasing use of the private car.
- Positive on new waste & recycling.
- A lot of improvements at local level with local teams and local multi-agency working and this needs to be strengthened.

Top Priorities by Forum Area:

Forum Area	1 st	2 nd	3 rd
Penistone East & West	Roads Maintenance	Traffic Volume	Policing
Darton East/West & Dodworth	Roads Maintenance	Anti-social behaviour	Policing
Monk Bretton, Royston, St Helens	Anti-social behaviour	Policing	Roads Maintenance

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Cudworth and North East	Anti-social behaviour	Policing	Roads Maintenance
Central, Kingstone & Old Town	Anti-social behaviour	Traffic Volume	Youth Nuisance
Stairfoot & Worsborough	Anti-social behaviour	Youth Nuisance	Bus Service
Hoyland Milton and Rockingham	Anti-social behaviour	Bus Service	Roads Maintenance
Darfield & Wombwell	Anti-social behaviour	Roads Maintenance	Bus Service
Dearne North & Dearne South	Anti-social behaviour	Policing	Youth Nuisance

Comments from people who attended;

- Concern was raised over the definition of “anti-social behaviour” and the difference between actual crime rates and “fear of crime”. This was seen as a very subjective area and dependent on perceptions based on outside sources (media etc).
- The way the private car is causing many of the issues people see as a priority.
- A weakness in the way the results were used is that there is no mechanism for feeding into strategic decision making.
- Activities for young people could be better communicated as people do not realise how much work is being done in this area.
- More of a breakdown of ethnic minority results required as priorities might be completely different to the majority.
- The term “youth nuisance” was viewed as a sort of “stereo-typing” and using it feeds a stereo-type. A better description of the issue would be preferable in public perception questionnaires.

Key points from Delivery Partnerships

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Fit for the Future

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- Fit for the Future is reviewing its commissioning processes. An event will be held on 29 January for both existing and potential providers to provide more information about the need for the changes and to further develop the process.
- The latest life expectancy figures for 2004-2006 (published November 2007) show that in Barnsley life expectancy for both males and females has increased:

	2003-2005	2004-2006
Males	75.0	75.3
Females	79.4	79.5

However, the life expectancy gap between Barnsley and the England average is still increasing. The gap is now 2.0 years for both males and females.

Environment Partnership

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- The Environment Partnership met in the middle of December and received a presentation on the Barnsley Transport Vision from Neil Anderson (SYPTTE) and Ann Beddoes (BMBC Transport). This presentation explored the on-going work to attain a more sustainable transport plan for Barnsley which as well as trying to relieve congestion would result in reduced emissions which is good for both climate change and local air quality. Other areas discussed were the on-going work with URSUS Consulting who are currently eco-proofing various aspects of BMBC transport and housing policies using state-of-the-art modelling software (Resource & Energy Analysis Programme or REAP). URSUS will report there findings back to the partnership in the new year.

Cultural Consortium

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- The Cultural Consortium are due to meet again on Thursday 31st January. The focus of this meeting will be to agree the final draft of the Cultural Improvement Plan and to look at the consultation process for the new Cultural Statement.

Economic Forum

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- Part of the Economic Forum work programme focuses on the more deprived areas in Barnsley and Area Forum Officers are giving presentations to the Forum, highlighting the main problems in the area and what is being done to address them. To date presentations have been given on Monk Bretton, Royston and St Helens, Dearne North and Dearne South, and Cudworth and North East.
- The BDA board and the Forum have endorsed the Economic Masterplan, now called Barnsley's Growth Plan. One Barnsley have received copies and are to discuss it at their January meeting. Detailed action plans are being prepared based on the 5 main programmes highlighted in the Plan. These should be ready during February.

Children and Young People's Strategic Partnership

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- Progress on governance arrangements for the CYPSP is moving at a fast pace. Arrangements will be in place for implementation for 1st April 2008. Voice and Influence of Children and Young People, parents and carers will be developed in the context of the Wellbeing Partnerships and Teams.
- Annual Performance - confirmation that in terms of overall effectiveness, Barnsley consistently delivers services that are above minimum requirements in helping to improve outcomes for children and young people. The judgements are based on the review of our Children and Young People's Plan and the progress we've made since the Joint Area Review.
- Adult and Family Learning Service Ofsted inspection - 12 November 2007. The results of the week-long inspection were extremely positive, OFSTED found good strategic planning and direction and a strong focus on quality improvement, with very effective actions to engage hard to reach learners. OFSTED also commented on the particularly effective team ethos in the management of service provision.
- Play Strategy - Barnsley has been awarded £584,000 from the Big Lottery Children's Play Programme to deliver our Play Strategy for Barnsley. A portfolio of three projects was put together by the Play Partnership, which includes members from the local authority and external agencies from the public, private and voluntary sectors. The projects will focus upon

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mobile play, breaking down barriers for vulnerable children and young people, and a capital project to enhance the lack of play facilities at Locke Park.

Equalities and Diversity Inclusion Partnership (EDIP)

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- The Stronger Neighbourhoods Initiative (SNI) for New Lodge and Athersley has been identified as one of the CLG Neighbourhood Charter National pilots. Neighbourhood Charters are one of the key initiatives recommended in the CLG National Community Empowerment Action Plan, launched in October 2007. The pilot status reflects the good practice developed through the Keeping Kendray Clean and Tidy Neighbourhood Agreement, and continuing excellent community engagement practice and performance developed by the SNI.
- EDIP also considered a draft framework for the One Barnsley Community Cohesion and Integration Strategy, building on the recommendations from the Government's Commission on Integration and Cohesion report - "Our Shared Future". An EDIP workstream has been formed to develop the Strategy and hopes to complete the draft for April 2008. It will then be subject to a wide consultation period with respective stakeholders.

Partnership for Transport

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- The Transport Vision is nearing completion and the next step will be to draw up a Strategy to get to the Vision.
- The partnership identifies a strong link between health and planning. A strong presentation was given by Lorraine Lawson on urban planning involving examples that discourage physical activity.

Comments and Suggestions

If you have any comments or suggestions about 'One Barnsley Outlook' or you would like to raise an issue, please contact the details at bottom of page. We welcome any new ideas related to "One Barnsley Outlook".

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