



RUSHMOOR STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP (RSP) WORKSHOP JANUARY 2008 Draft Outcomes Report

'Issues Paper' for the development of the Hampshire Sustainable Community Strategy (HSCS) 2007-2017.

Background

At a previous RSP workshop held on the 11th December partners identified the key issues facing Rushmoor and gave each issue a priority ranking of either essential, important or desirable. The partners then decided on appropriate indicators to measure these issues from the new National Indicator Set. An outcomes report detailing the chosen indicators has been fed back into the LAA negotiating process.

This workshop was seeking the views of partners on the 'Issues Paper' for the development of the Hampshire Sustainable Community Strategy (HSCS) 2007-2017. The purpose of the Hampshire Sustainable Community Strategy is to set an agreed vision and specific ambitions for the next ten years and beyond to ensure that the future needs of Hampshire are met in a sustainable way.

The Issues Paper can be found at www.hampshirestrategicpartnership.org.uk and identifies seven key challenges and ten ambitions:

The Seven HSCS Challenges

1. Demographic changes leading to an ageing population, smaller households and increasing ethnic diversity
2. Changes to the economy including global competition
3. Housing growth and affordability
4. Traffic growth
5. Climate change
6. Lifestyle trends including the increasing impact of alcohol misuse, obesity and patterns of consumption and waste
7. Continuing deprivation and risks for social exclusion in certain pockets of the county and for particular groups

Rushmoor Council Officers had pre-assessed these challenges in relation to Rushmoor and fed back these comments to the partners.

Comments on the Challenges

1. The challenges relating to the economy, housing and climate change are of particular relevance to Rushmoor

2. As are the additional challenges, raised at the Hampshire Partnership Conference, of young people, education/skills, and crime and social breakdown
3. Although the challenges mention lifestyles, there is not a sufficient focus on health. Four of Rushmoor's essential issues looked at mortality causes and this is not covered by the challenges
4. Community pride should also be mentioned, probably under the lifestyle challenge
5. Ensuring appropriate support is given to the military population is not covered by the current challenges
6. Other essential issues for Rushmoor that are not well represented by the challenges are:
 - a. Improving the cleanliness and appearance of the Borough, especially streets, parks and open spaces
 - b. Ensuring that future land use and transportation strategies are sustainable and meet the needs of the Borough and integrate with plans for the wider Blackwater Valley area.
 - c. Promoting the use of recreation and culture facilities, including the use of country footpaths and bridleways

The Ten HSCS Ambitions

1. Hampshire will provide a globally competitive environment for business growth and investment where everyone has the opportunity to develop their skills and play a full part in the county's success
2. Infrastructure and services are maintained and developed to support economic and housing growth whilst protecting the environment and enhancing quality of life
3. There is an adequate range of social and affordable housing to address housing needs including provision to support rural communities
4. Hampshire's communities are inclusive and cohesive
5. Hampshire's communities can expect to feel safe and not to suffer from violence and anti-social behaviour, especially that caused by alcohol and drug misuse
6. Hampshire's people can make choices to improve their health and well-being
7. Hampshire's people can enjoy their environment and cultural heritage
8. Hampshire's people and businesses adapt to and mitigate climate change
9. Hampshire's people and businesses use natural resources efficiently
10. Public services are high quality, accessible and responsive, and provide value for money

A workshop exercise was used to test these ten ambitions against the Partnership's 'essential' issues, identified at the workshop on the 11th December. The exercise was designed to establish whether the ambitions adequately cover these issues for Rushmoor.

Partners were split into three facilitated working groups. Each group was given 12 different essential issues and asked to decide if each essential issue would fit with any of the listed ambitions.

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Essential issues Group 1:

1. Educational attainment at Key Stage 3 – Science
2. Educational attainment at Key Stage 2 – Maths
3. Educational attainment at GCSE – 1 or more grade G or equivalent
4. Conceptions among 15 - 17 year olds
5. Energy consumption by industrial and commercial customers - Gas
6. To encourage local projects in the Borough which foster pride and citizenship within the community
7. Use of recreation & culture facilities – Country footpaths & bridleways
8. To improve the cleanliness and appearance of the Borough, especially streets, parks and open spaces
9. Gross weekly earning
10. Perception of personal safety at night
11. Perception of drunkenness & rowdiness
12. To ensure that future land use and transportation strategies are sustainable and meet the needs of the Borough and integrate with plans for the wider Blackwater Valley area

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Essential issues Group 2:

1. Mortality - all cancers - females under 75
2. Mortality - all circulatory diseases – females under 75
3. Educational attainment at Key Stage 3 – Maths
4. Educational attainment at Key Stage 2 – English
5. Perception of personal safety during the day
6. To ensure appropriate support to the Military population in the Borough
7. Energy consumption by industrial and domestic customers - Gas
8. Energy consumption by industrial and domestic customers - Electricity
9. To ensure that the Partnership plays its part raising awareness of and contributes to addressing wider issues that affect the Borough

10. Unemployment - males
11. To support the development of the Aldershot Urban Extension, making sure it is a high quality and sustainable development
12. Violence against the person

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Essential issues Group 3:

1. Educational attainment at Key Stage 3 – English
2. Educational attainment at GCSE – 5 or more A* - C grades
3. Participation in adult learning
4. Adult Participation in taught learning
5. Recorded drug offences
6. Number of incidents of domestic violence
7. Mortality - all cancers – males under 75
8. Mortality - all circulatory diseases – males under 75
9. To help maintain Rushmoor as a major employment centre with high employment rates by supporting growth and investment in key business areas
10. To develop and deliver more integrated public services to residents
11. Energy consumption by industrial and commercial customers - Electricity
12. Recycled household waste

Rushmoor Essential Issues and Fit with HCSC Ambitions

The outcomes from this workshop indicating how the Rushmoor essential issues fitted with the ten HSCS ambitions are set out below.

1. Hampshire will provide a globally competitive environment for business growth and investment where everyone has the opportunity to develop their skills and play a full part in the county's success.
 - To help maintain Rushmoor as a major employment centre with high employment rates by supporting growth and investment in key business areas
 - Unemployment - males
 - Gross weekly earning
 - Educational attainment at Key Stage 2 – English
 - Educational attainment at Key Stage 3 – English
 - Educational attainment at Key Stage 2 – Maths
 - Educational attainment at Key Stage 3 – Maths
 - Educational attainment at Key Stage 3 – Science

- Educational attainment at GCSE – 5 or more A* - C grades
 - Educational attainment at GCSE – 1 or more grade G or equivalent
 - Participation in adult learning
 - Participation in taught learning
2. Infrastructure and services are maintained and developed to support economic and housing growth whilst protecting the environment and enhancing quality of life.
- To ensure that future land use and transportation strategies are sustainable and meet the needs of the Borough and integrate with plans for the wider Blackwater Valley area.
 - Energy consumption by industrial and commercial customers – Gas & other forms of energy?
 - To help maintain Rushmoor as a major employment centre with high employment rates by supporting growth and investment in key business areas
 - To support the development of the Aldershot Urban Extension, making sure it is a high quality and sustainable development.
3. There is an adequate range of social and affordable housing to address housing needs including provision to support rural communities.
- To support the development of the Aldershot Urban Extension, making sure it is a high quality and sustainable development.
4. Hampshire's communities are inclusive and cohesive and offer equality of opportunity
- To encourage local projects in the Borough which foster pride and citizenship within the community.
 - To promote integration and cohesion of the Military population in the Borough (changed from 'To ensure appropriate support to the Military population in the Borough')
 - Perception of personal safety during the day
 - Educational attainment at Key Stage 3 – Maths
5. Hampshire's communities can expect to feel safe and not to suffer from violence and anti-social behaviour, especially that caused by alcohol and drug misuse.
- Perception of personal safety during the day
 - Perception of personal safety at night
 - Violence against the person
 - Perception of drunkenness & rowdiness
 - Recorded drug offences
 - Number of incidents of domestic violence

6. Hampshire's people can make choices to improve their health and well-being.
 - Mortality - all cancers – males under 75
 - Mortality - all cancers - females under 75
 - Mortality - all circulatory diseases – males under 75? About Health but is it about choices??
 - Mortality - all circulatory diseases – females under 75
 - Conceptions among 15 - 17 year olds
 - Participation in adult learning

7. Hampshire's people can enjoy their environment and cultural heritage.
 - To improve the cleanliness and appearance of the Borough, especially streets, parks and open spaces
 - To encourage local projects in the Borough which foster pride and citizenship within the community
 - Use of recreation & culture facilities – Country footpaths & bridleways
 - To promote integration and cohesion of the Military population in the Borough (changed from 'To ensure appropriate support to the Military population in the Borough')

8. Hampshire's people and businesses adapt to and mitigate climate change.
 - Recycled household waste
 - Energy consumption by industrial and commercial customers – Electricity
 - Energy consumption by industrial and commercial customers – Gas
 - Energy consumption by domestic customers - Gas
 - Energy consumption by domestic customers – Electricity

9. Hampshire's people and businesses use natural resources efficiently
 - Energy consumption by industrial and commercial customers - Gas
 - Energy consumption by industrial and commercial customers - Electricity
 - Energy consumption by industrial and domestic customers - Gas
 - Energy consumption by industrial and domestic customers – Electricity
 - Recycled Household waste
 - Participation in adult learning

10. Public services are high quality, accessible and responsive, and provide value for money.
 - To develop and deliver more integrated public services to residents

Issues that were not thought to fit under one of the HSCS ambitions

- To ensure that the Partnership raises awareness of and makes a difference to addressing wider issues that affect the Borough (changed

from 'To ensure that the Partnership plays its part raising awareness of and contributes to addressing wider issues that affect the Borough')

- Not much in ambitions about education and young people generally

Additional Comments

The HCSC ambitions were thought to be very unambitious and rather uninspiring. The ambitions were considered to be more like 'guiding principles' rather than 'ambitions' and need 'more life'. Partners thought that they should be 'SMART'. They should be measurable eg. by increasing rankings to top quartile. They should also tie in more closely with the performance indicators.

Other comments regarding the ambitions included:

- Young people are not included in the ambitions
- Ambition number six could be reworded to '..... and have facilities, with a particular emphasis on youth and older people'
- There should be an ambition to improve educational attainment
- The environment comes up in too many issues - seems like duplication
- There should be more on health and deprivation
- 'Mortality – all cancers – males under 75' and 'Mortality – all circulatory diseases – males under 75' were not thought to fit well under ambition 6 - Hampshire's people can make choices to improve their health and well-being.
- 'Hampshire's communities are inclusive and cohesive' was thought to be a very important ambition as it underpins other issues such as safety and education.
- Public services are high quality, accessible and responsive, and provide value for money but should be 'better, cheaper and more accessible'.
- Each of the ten HCSC ambitions should have clear examples
- 'Community Pride and Self Esteem' should be an overarching ambition

Partners thought that twelve of the 36 essential issues for Rushmoor fitted to more than one ambition.

- Participation in adult learning (1,6 & 9)
- Energy consumption by industrial and commercial customers – Electricity (2,8 & 9)
- To help maintain Rushmoor as a major employment centre with high employment rates by supporting growth and investment in key business areas (1 & 2)
- Recycled household waste (2 & 9)
- Energy consumption by domestic customers – Electricity (8 & 9)
- Energy consumption by domestic customers – Gas (8 & 9)
- To promote integration and cohesion of the Military population in the Borough (changed from 'To ensure appropriate support to the Military population in the Borough') (4 & 7)
- Perception of personal safety during the day (4 & 5)

- Educational attainment at Key Stage 3 – English (1 & 4) (note: and offer equality of opportunity)
- Educational attainment at Key Stage 3 – Maths (1 & 4) (note: and offer equality of opportunity)
- Energy consumption by industrial and commercial customers – Gas (8 & 9)
- To encourage local projects in the Borough which foster pride and citizenship within the community (4 & 7)

Summary

As a result of this workshop members of the Rushmoor Strategic Partnership have expressed their views on the 'Issues Paper' for the development of the Hampshire Sustainable Community Strategy (HSCS) 2007-2017. The Partnership has identified that 34 of the Partnership's 36 essential ambitions (identified at a previous workshop Dec 07) fit with the ten HSCS ambitions. Where the fit is not ideal additional comments have been made.

Two issues for Rushmoor were not thought to fit well with one of the HSCS ambitions. These two issues are (a) To ensure that the Partnership raises awareness of and makes a difference to addressing wider issues that affect the Borough and (b) These ambitions do not adequately cover education and young people.

A recurrent theme from each group was that the HCSC ambitions need to be far more ambitious, much more inspirational and 'SMART'.

Recommendations:

- More ambitious, more inspirational and 'SMART' ambitions
- 'Community Pride and Self Esteem' should be an overarching ambition or vision in Hampshire
- Clear examples of each of the ten HCSC ambitions
- The ambitions should have more emphasis on health and deprivation
- Young and older people should be highlighted in the ambitions. Eg. Hampshire's people can make choices to improve their health and well-being and have facilities, with a particular emphasis on youth and older people
- The need to improvement of educational attainment' should be have greater emphasis
- Combine the ambitions 8 and 9 - relating to climate change and use natural resources efficiently
- Include 'public services should be 'better, cheaper and more accessible'.
- That the approach that Hampshire LSPs take in realising ambitions actually makes a difference to their local area

Next steps

- This draft report detailing the outcomes of the workshop will be circulated to all partners
- The RSP's views on the most important indicators will be submitted to Hampshire Strategic Partnership by 31st January for consideration at the beginning of February 08.