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## RUSHMOOR STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP

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Notes of a workshop held on Monday, 30th January 2006 at the Rushmoor Borough Council Offices at 4.00 pm.

Present:

<b>Aldershot Garrison</b>		Colonel Nigel Josling OBE Garrison Commander
<b>Basingstoke Canal Authority</b>		(representative to be appointed)
<b>Blackwater Valley and Hart Primary Care Trust</b>	a	Mrs Aghdas Cullen Public Health Specialist
<b>Enterprise First</b>	a	Mr John Mitchell (Vice-Chairman) Chief Executive
<b>Farnborough College of Technology</b>	a	Mr Phelim Brady Deputy Principal
<b>Guildford Diocese</b>	a	Reverend Father Keith Hodges
<b>Hampshire County Council</b>	a	County Councillor Roy Perry Executive Member for Community Development
	a	County Councillor Rod Baulk
<b>North East Hampshire Police Division</b>		Superintendent Joe Apps
<b>North Hampshire Chamber of Commerce and Industry</b>	a	Mr John Harrocks Chief Executive
<b>Pavilion Housing Association</b>	a	Mrs Louise Williams Head of Neighbourhood Management and Tenancy Support
<b>Rushmoor Borough Council</b>		Councillor Peter Moyle (Chairman) Leader
		Mr Andrew Lloyd Chief Executive
<b>Rushmoor Citizens' Advice Bureaux</b>		Ms Alex Hughes District Manager

**Rushmoor Voluntary Services** Ms Sally Saunderson  
Chief Executive

**Parity for Disability** Ms Alison Cooper

In attendance:

**Hampshire County Council** Mr Terry Rath  
Education Office

**Rushmoor Borough Council** Mr Andrew Colver  
Head of Democratic Services

Miss Annie Denton  
Partnership Officer

Mrs Kathy Flatt  
Democratic Services Officer

Miss Vicci Goldfinch  
Partnership Analyst

Mr Les Murrell  
Strategies Co-ordinator (Sustainability)

Mr Tim Richings  
Planning Policy and Conservation Manager

Apologies for absence had been received on behalf of County Councillor Roy Perry (Hampshire County Council), County Councillor Rod Baulk (Hampshire County Council), Dr. Olufemi Oduneye (Blackwater Valley and Hart Primary Care Trust), Father Keith Hodges, Mr John Harrocks (North Hampshire Chamber of Commerce and Industry), Mrs Christine Davis (Farnborough College of Technology) and Mr David Hobbs (Government Office for the South East).

1. **WORKSHOP - “THE RSP, JOINED UP SERVICE OR AN IMPOSSIBLE DREAM?”**

The Chairman welcomed to the meeting Alison Bond, Director of ABA Research Limited and The Halo Works Limited, who had been invited to lead the workshop on the findings of the RSP research project to find and measure the things that really counted in Rushmoor. Alison Bond had attended the RSP meeting on 15th November, 2005 to present an interim report and the final report had been circulated to members of the Partnership prior to the workshop. The purpose of the workshop was to take forward the findings of the research work and plan the future work of the Partnership.

The Partnership noted that the key issues for residents were:

- anti-social behaviour and a lack of effective authority to prevent this
- the current leisure facilities
- lack of focal points – no “wow” factors for the Borough
- the apparent lack of positive involvement from business in the area
- the town centres – both in terms of shopping and other facilities

The residents felt that the best things about the Borough were:

- Rushmoor in Bloom
- Farnborough Sixth Form College and Farnborough College of Technology
- The open countryside
- Being a parent of children up to the age of five/seven
- Buying a home in Aldershot
- Good local employment
- Excellent transport links

Alison Bond answered members’ questions regarding residents’ views on the Borough and on the partners of the RSP. The Partnership then considered how, both as individual partners and working together, some of the issues raised could be taken forward. Whilst it was recognised that the forthcoming RSP Conference would consider the way forward in some detail, members of the Partnership also suggested the following:-

- Rushmoor Council restructuring to address anti-social behaviour issues
- Police invigorating neighbourhood policing (prevent/reassure)
- Providing a reception for local business to be hosted by the Military
- Rushmoor Voluntary Services promoting volunteering
- Rushmoor Council holding community engagement events at which other partners could participate.

The Partnership recognised the need to take these ideas forward and agreed a detailed discussion on future plans should be held following the Conference.

The meeting closed at 5.30 pm.

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