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Minutes of a meeting of the Community Development Action Group of the Test Valley Partnership held on Tuesday 10th January 2006 at 2.00 pm in Conference Room 5, Beech Hurst, Andover.

Present:

Janet Blann (TVCS, Chair)
Greg Alexander (TVCS)
Dawn Elson (TVCS)
Brian Cowcher (TVBC)
Cllr Peter Boulton (TVBC)
Cllr. Sandra Hawke (TVBC)

Cllr David Bidwell (TVBC)
David Gleave (TVBC)
Jenny Gammon (Lincolnshire
County Council)
Marianne Piggin (TVBC)
Melinda Carey-Hock - Enham

Marion Woods (Test Valley Partnership)
Sarah Smith (Testway Housing)
David Shields (Grateley Parish Council)
Jo Dixon (Community Action Hampshire)
Anne Meader (Romsey District Carers Forum)
Tony McGovern (Mountbatten Community
School)
Alison Angell (HCC)
Ange Moon (Andover CAB)
Bob Coates (Mid Hants PCT)

Verna Kempthorne (TVBC)

1. Apologies

Diane Preston (Pilgrims / River Way Community Association)
Jean Lannie (Andover Family Learning)
Christine Brown (TVBC)
Louise Gordon (Enham)
Lorraine Tate (Parentline Plus)
John Fairbanks (Andover Mind)
Giv Thornton (Community Action Hampshire)
Judith Cohen (Grateley Parish Council)

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2. I&DEA Rural Excellence Mentoring Project

DG gave further background into the Improvement and Development Agency's (I&DEA) Rural Mentoring Project and introduced Jenny Gammon from Lincolnshire County Council (LCC). JG has been selected by the I&DEA to lead the mentoring team for TVBC. To date the Executive and Heads of Service have met to discuss the potential for the mentoring work within Test Valley and the objective of this meeting was to consult with a wider audience and decide on the priorities of the mentoring project.

The group were given two themes of; Community Development and Accessibility which had previously been decided by the Exec and Heads of Service. They were then requested to split into two groups to discuss the problem areas, barriers to these and the proposed outcomes.

Feedback from the two groups is attached. Both groups came up with lots of positive feedback which is soon to be discussed by the TVBC Mentoring Team and an action plan produced based on this consultation. DG will consult with partner agencies on priorities for the mentoring project.

***ACTION:** DG to feedback from the mentoring team at the next meeting*

3. Matters Arising

- Summary Black and Minority Ethnic Awareness Project (BMAP) carried out by AJ based at Community Action Hampshire was not included in previous minutes.

***ACTION:** MP to forward*

4. Turn Around Project

Recommendations previously made by the group on work to be carried out in the Alamein Ward needs to be undertaken by relevant action groups.

JB explained resources still needed to be pooled together as there is still much good work going on in the ward that other partners are not aware of.

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The next multi-agency meeting being held to discuss this work is on 9th February at the Entertainer Public House in King Arthur's Way, over 100 professionals have been invited and 45 positive replies received.

In the interim quick wins are required. MP explained she was meeting with the King Arthur's Hall Management Committee in January to discuss the Halls mandate for the future and recruiting new committee members. It was suggested that the DLO are invited to come and paint the hall and involve the community in this, in the hope that creates more interest in the Hall as a community venue, is more user friendly, and ask that more agencies are involved and get them to commit to using the hall to provide better access to services for local residents. AA revealed that this work was a priority for Hampshire County Council and Mike Wickendon may have some funding to contribute to this work, a positive move would be to establish a community association.

Action: MP and AA to meet with management committee and address involvement of DLO

5. Any other business

MW reminded those present about the Partnership newsletter and if anyone would like to contribute an item around what is happening under the umbrella of the LSP please feel free to contact her.

6. Dates of future meetings

2.00 p.m., Tuesday 7 March 2006, Mountbatten Room 1, Crosfield Hall, Romsey