

	Action in Action Log
Anti-Poverty Board: Note of meeting on 23.06.2014 Present: Cllr Platts ,Chris Armitage, Michele Tudor, Sarah Cartwright, Pat Heath, Jo Clarke, Carolyn Ellis, Tom Smith, Dave Fullen, Murdo McCleod, Joanne Dearnley, Tracy Davis, Andrea Hoyland, Michelle Kaye	
Apologies: Frances Foster, Peter Francis, Jade Francis-Rose/Dan Carver, Nigel Middlehirst, Liz Pitt, Bob Kirton/Karen Kelly, Jasmine Waiters	
Business:	
Note of last meeting agreed as true & accurate, other than to add that Carolyn Ellis was in attendnace.	
Matters Arising	
(i). DF, MK/AA, AH to arrange follow up meeting re process/communications for earlier idetification of residents needing support re housing and hardship (pre- eviction) and feedback to a future Board meeting.	✓
(ii)Membership review discussed -some deputies & organisations outstanding, AH to follow up	✓
(iii) PH enquiry as to whether sufficient case studies have been submitted - 7 received to date -further would be welcome if good illustrative case examples of the impact of poverty/welfare reform are available.	✓
Updates:	
1. <u>Anti-Poverty Strategy</u> - Circulated to APB, published on BMBC website. Small initial Implementation Task & Finish work group to be convened to plan for activities outlined in strategy, specifically the Poverty Pledge, Poverty Impact Statement and Needs Assessment, plus any co-ordinated partner actiivty/projects. MK AH JW have expressed interest to date -any interested colleagues to let AH know if they wish to be included in this work.	✓
2. <u>Poverty Needs Assessment</u> (PNA) Board formally approved publication date of end of September to accommodate delay in evidence collation, analysis & formulation of report due to capacity issues. Presentation from Liz/Andrea at next meeting.	✓
3. <u>Information Exchange Group Financial Capabiliy</u> -no meeting to report on at this APB.	
4. <u>Barnsley Advice Network</u> - no update at this meeting.	
5. <u>Child Poverty</u> - AH confirmed that the collated APB response to the consulatation on the new national Child Poverty Strategy was submitted. There has not yet been any publication of the findings, nor any information with regard to the awaited new national child poverty measures.	
The Regional Child poverty Network was hosted in Barnsley on 3rd June, the presentataion on the development of our APS and PNA was well received by colleagues who thought our inclusive Anti-Poverty approach was positive and supportive of a partnership response to the complex issues surrounding child poverty.	
6. <u>Welfare Reform</u>	

- Local Support Services Framework -MK reported that the Task & Finish working group has been convened and a mapping exercise commenced around IT provision & access. Further work to consider skills needs re use of IT and to explore linkages to Area Councils needs-mapping, and strategic Digital inclusion developments, both locally and Regionally as well as links to landlords. The next meeting will look at the Financial capability issues. There was discussion around the identification of vulnerable groups with regard to this work, the Board noted the need to link this to other such identification work and any canvassing of residents in needs in terms of IT access/IT skills, access to a Bank Account etc.

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- Benefit Cap work - MK & AH gave feedback on the lessons learned from the Benefit Cap project work funded with DWP Flexible Fund monies. Follow up work has been secured from LWA funds. MK will circulate an outcomes report at the next meeting.

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Any other Business:

Cllr Platts reported briefly on her recent visit to the Community Shop and Hub and how impressed she had been with the work they were doing in supporting residents in the Dearne who are affected by poverty & hardship. She proposed that Gary Stott be invited to present an update to the Board on the activities of the shop over its 6 months of operation. The Board agreed this and also to invite Gary to be a member of the Board to contribute his continuing experiences of developing the Communityhub model.

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Action points raised from this Board meeting are noted on the Action log for 23.06.2014