

COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP CHAIR'S BRIEFING NOTE:

COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP BOARD – 13 SEPTEMBER 2023

HELD AT EAST SUFFOLK HOUSE, MELTON

1. Introduction

- All eight Community Partnerships are represented on the Community Partnership Board by their respective Chairs. The meeting agendas and papers can be viewed [HERE](#)
- The agenda was split into two 1-hour sessions:
 - i) Formal CP Board meeting
 - ii) Workshop focused on tackling inequalities

2. Community Partnership Board Performance Overview

- The Board was briefly updated on all projects that the Board has initiated or supported since it was set up in 2020. This includes some projects that have now been delivered as well as live projects.
- See presentation [HERE](#)

3. Community Partnership Updates

- Alan Green & Gemma Fraser updated the Board on Carlton Colville, Kessingland, Southwold and Villages Community Partnership
- See presentation [HERE](#)

4. UK Shared Prosperity Fund Skills Programme Update

- James Chandler led a short presentation to update on the progress of the skills programme since the workshop held by the Board in June.
- See presentation [HERE](#)

5. Community Partnership Annual Forum 2024

- Each year the Community Partnerships host a popular conference for representatives from our communities, voluntary organisations, public services and local businesses. This popular event gives us all the opportunity to share our knowledge and expertise and work together to benefit our communities and businesses in East Suffolk.
- **DIARY DATE for all Community Partnership members: Community Partnership Annual Forum 9am -2pm, 22 March 2024 at Trinity Park Conference Centre.** Invitations will be sent in due course.
- Trinity Park not easily accessed by public transport from all parts of East Suffolk so additional arrangements will be put in place, including the option for pick-ups from local rail station.
- See more about last year's event [HERE](#)

6. Tackling Inequalities Workshop (Karen Moy and Nicole Rickard)

- Nicole Rickard presented information on deprivation and Inequalities in East Suffolk
See presentation [HERE](#)
- Karen Moy from Suffolk Community Foundation informed the Board that SCF are the largest grantmaker to the voluntary sector in Suffolk. She provided an overview of the work that the Foundation does to tackle inequalities. More information about Suffolk Community Foundation [HERE](#)
- Youth Voice cost of living report had been circulated to provide context – See report [HERE](#)
- There was table discussions to identify:
 - Additional work in East Suffolk to tackle the key inequality challenges
 - Priorities for the Board to focus on over the coming 12 months

- Project ideas for development for the December Board meeting when an outcome proposal will be brought back for consideration.
- The outcomes of the workshop will be worked up into projects by a Task Group consisting of CP Board members and other relevant specialist partners.
- The Top 5 issues were (in order of votes) - Mental Health and Wellbeing, Absolute Poverty, Young People's Health Outcomes, Lack of Access to Services, Disabilities and Long Term Health conditions

7. Dates of next meeting: 13 December 2023 at 10.00am, Orbis Energy, Lowestoft