

Commitment Cards from SSP Conference

Change

The best thing I learnt today was	I am most excited by	In 6 months time I will be disappointed if we haven't
1 Need for agencies to work together	The thought of community and the 'intergeneration' work	Made some progress... carrying out more intergeneration work at other schools
2 The same people doing the same things... (Dinesh Patel)	Will have the same outcome...	We need a very big step change to make the difference
3 Same 'Old' people (Dinesh Patel)		See some of them leave SBC so that new ideas can be developed
4 There are a lot of enthusiastic and like minded people around	The challenge and working together to meet it	Achieved at least one thing from today
5 The appetite for change is widespread	The opportunities for change	Got a list of achievements from our aspirations
6 We share the same aims and values	SBC's commitment to change	Moved forward
7 The energy in the room	The sense of opportunity	Moved forward
8 That Big Society is really going to happen in Swindon (Victoria Guillaume)	That the Council is really up for it	Got a really clear idea of how Big Society can become a reality, in Swindon through One Swindon
9 That Big Society is really going to happen in Swindon (Victoria Guillaume)	Community development	Made simple changes that make big differences
10 We have to move on, stop talking, do the work we are supposed to do	Shop 4 support, 360 project, all the changes that are coming to Swindon and new projects	Done anything; the same story; and have been here once
11 The 'changing the way we work' happening within SBC/ Voluntary sector	360 project Listening Streetwatch	Lost the 'Big Society' spin!
12 Swindon alive and kicking	Activities planned for the future	Made things happen
13 Knowing things out there	That things could happen	Got there

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Networking

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14 People do care about Swindon (Alex Todd)	The ideas and enthusiasm	Started to tell people how good Swindon is
15 Communities have 'energy' and can solve problems/opportunities (Peter Robinson)	The future, working closely with the community and capturing the skills and energy	Engages the talent in our communities! (commence the process)
16 There is a strong will to improve Swindon	The possibility of a wide variety of agencies working together to ensure a coherent approach to improving society	Got rid of some of the insular and negative council staff!
17 Togetherness means working together	Awareness of what their people are working in Swindon	A big time network called Swindon's network
18 Common experience about too much risk assessment; desire to understand how our neighbours are	The change potential of encouraging people to talk. Feels very 360 – brilliant	Stopped talking, got on with doing and started shouting about changes
19 We already have permission	The fact that we already have permission	Moved away from a public authority base to a community root
20 Individuals are keen to change system		Engaged organisations to change
21 How much consensus there is about doing good work	The potential for the team	Turned the creativity into some substantial goals and action
22 Keep it simple – let's not create something new but fund those who do it well and spread the word!	Sharing our ideas	Seen something totally different.

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One Swindon

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23	The number of good projects already underway in Swindon	The potential to shape a new "public service organisation" in Swindon with local people	Get rid of some boundaries. Agreed our clear set of One Swindon priorities/outcomes
24	360 Project (Jill Annal)	Listening	Changed our own behaviours
25	The recognition that "One Swindon" is achievable	The potential for Swindon	Got a plan
26	That there is optimism out there in Swindon	Swindon wants to improve its reputation	Started taking some radical steps
27	The good ideas in such a diverse gathering (Terry King)	The idea of a "Big Society"	Had "feedback from this conference (and actions intended)
28	More information about "One Swindon"	Taking the vision forward	Moved forward with the CPCP programme
29	CEOs philosophy	Partnership working	Developed clusters
30	Swindon wants to change	Joint enthusiasm	A written plan!
31	Everyone wants to move forward	Good ideas	See any progress
32	That Pride in our town is crucial for One Swindon and that serious thinking or raising our profile positively is vital	Possibility of an event or more events that link culture with leisure/sport	Implemented some of these ideas
33	How much is going on in Swindon towards this	The commitment of everyone – made me seriously consider moving here!	Got the One Swindon vision in place
34	The strength of community in Swindon	The possibilities	One Swindon has not been launched with a clear identity
35	The strength of community in Swindon	The end of just Silo thinking and more collaborative thinking	Set a launch date
36	The potential for working together to achieve common goals		Got a plan with is fair and inclusive of a wide cross section of interest
37	That I'm not alone and culture is important	The hope that we can make culture better in Swindon	Agreed the priorities and got started
38	That people are prepared to work on One Swindon and make it happen (Wendy Hall)	The possibility of linkage across all agencies for vulnerable people	Had some feedback on what is happening to progress One Swindon
39	That Theatre Square is to be improved	The vision of local people caring about each other and their own community much more	Revised the 4 th priority to recognise the importance of early intervention and preventative services
40	The chance to be innovative and share ideas (Helena Robinson)	Getting on and 'doing'	Moved somewhere on the plan and haven't started any "doing"
41	Swindon does seem to have one voice	The vision	Achieved

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Communication			
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42	Expertise is here	Future, potential of opportunities	Communicated 'One Swindon' as a concept
43	We're all trying to do the same thing	Borough being a facilitator with no money	101 number and website not in place
44	There is a willingness to do things differently	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Patient hospitals (could they be for respite to?) • Shop for support 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improved access to information • Developed approaches to ensure people only have to tell their story once
45	Networking	Community capacity	More clarity
46	We are willing to create solutions (Frances Barrone)	The community safety bus being a mobile good news bus	Got community websites developed by the community for the community using intergenerational approach
47	Hop, Skip & Jump (Brian R Phillips)	Peoples enthusiasm to get something done	Heard of some ideas coming to fruition
48	Swindon has a number of the 'secrets' that we should reveal and celebrate	A Swindon curriculum	Been talking Swindon up
49	Relationships are king	Swindon's street parties would record attempt	Put in place a One Swindon website
50	Patents obtained by Motorola	Change	Set up a One Swindon website
51	There is more things in Swindon than I thought (not nearly enough from a cultural point)	The potential for green tech and development	If there is not a One Swindon website if the eco matter is left behind because of short sited economic matters
52	The amazing success of all the groups in Swindon – 360 etc (Tom Charnock)	Starting a website to allow all these videos to be loaded to allow everyone to see them	Got the website set up and going
53	Wider knowledge /contacts with the voluntary sector	What seems a collective 'sign up' to a new way of working	Created a better 'hub' of information that was embedded within communities

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Community Event / Street Party

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54	It is possible to overcome stereotypes	Peoples enthusiasm	Organised a street party event
55	All the good things happening in Swindon that could be publicised and set the standard for the future	Opportunities for green business in Swindon	Had a street party
56	A lot of good projects going on to promote community involvement (Andy Gordon, Natural England)	Creation of allotments/community farms	Developed key projects identified to address issues
57	A lot of good projects going on to promote community involvement (Andy Gordon, Natural England)	The Street party world record Launch of One Swindon	Changed the attitudes of cynical politicians and volunteers are taken for granted
58	Hop Skip and Jump - I found them inspirational	People being empowered	Started community allotments
59	Large numbers of voluntary organisations	The prospect of a community currency administered by the local authority	A positive Swindon community spirit
60	Organic ethos of One Swindon	Development of community	Developed the "One Swindon" idea
61	The main agencies want to work together and pool resources	The idea for a Big Event for Sport	Fully recognised what part sport can play in supporting our main desired outcomes

Swindon Currency

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62	Lot of good will (Rikki Hunt)	Swindon curriculum; Swindon money One Swindon website	Done any of the above
63	That so many people were excited by doing something radically different	Swindon curriculum and Swindon currency	Made good progress on at least 3 radical ideas

Engagement

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64	Swindon is trying (Alistair Cormie)	World record street party	Engaged more people in the community
65	Young people wasn't at the forefront of this, took me by surprise	The networking and meeting people to hear new ideas	Build on Young People links across Swindon, and if UKYP for Swindon haven't had contact with Council

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66	Was to meet so many people who feel as passionate as I do to raise the aspiration of vulnerable groups (nick.warren@swindon-academy.org 01793 426900)	Seeing "Swindon One" succeed and following up on all of the networking put in place	If I haven't been contacted to ask to support One Swindon.... ("If you believe in it – it will happen")
67	Other organisations including Groundworks & HSJ	Increasing my network to engage and enable residents	Invited youth reps to the next session
68	Vision for the future	Possibility of new areas of work	If voluntary sector isn't recognised funding for services and infrastructure support is cut
69	Wide spread understanding, joint view, issues prevalent	Willingness to engage in change and share experience expertise	Identified key community partners Use good practice to enable new groups to start up
70	What organisations from other sectors are doing and the really positive stuff that they are doing	Feeling more of a part of Swindon and this partnership	Achieved anything talked about today. I would like Wiltshire Wildlife Trust to more involved in the SSP
71	That the consensus seems to be that fellow colleagues would like to see more community decisions around service delivery	It seems that things might change and joint working is encouraged	Done anything!
72	Colleagues are beginning to understand the skills that can be learnt from the third sector	The apparent commitment to 'One Swindon'	Involved the wider community in 'One Swindon' discussions
73	Big society is made up of small communities working together	Everyone being prepared to think wider than their own organisation	Engaged the people of Swindon in a One Swindon event
74	The passion in the local community to become involved	The real potential to harness the energy that exists	Done anything
75	Cutting red tape		Connected people and places
76	The fantastic work / projects/ people that are going great stuff	The community members I met	Started to change the way we work with and listen to the community
77	The amount of ideas being put forward to achieve a better future	Peoples passion to see things change	Got a shining example of communities coming together to achieve an outcome
78	Penhill appears to have better community engagement Middle class area	The opportunity to see how engaged wide areas of the community are like minded	Seen any outputs at all proceeding forward
79	That other people are as excited about the opportunities (Helena Robinson)	Working in different ways	Started to meet our communities expectations

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80	Envisaged process of output from today	Partnership Board engagement	Moved in the process Possibilities for Swindon become more of a reality
81	That Groundwork has a Swindon office	All the different individuals that independently came to the SWS stand to see how they could get involved	Pushed the Environmental Sustainability awareness forward in Swindon

Empowerment

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82	There is a positive urge to develop One Swindon	Communities allowed to <u>do</u> for themselves	A policy that is working and resources delivered
83	Many people here have a will to achieve	Less red tape, break down barriers	Involved Parish Councils in One Swindon
84	Several different views (Glenn Mills)	Open opinions	Instigated schemes and reduced committees
85	Some decision makers actually listening	The possibility that more people understand the negative aspects of economics and economic growth	Achieved a better idea of localisation and sustainability
86	We all want what is best for Swindon	True partnerships working together and removing red tape	Made a start

Clarity

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87	The variety of inclusive engagement opportunities for everyone (Louise Campion – Childrens Services/SPCT)	The feeling that we might be able to do it	Got a clear picture of how we want to work – we're still talking not doing!

Investment & Development

The best thing I learnt today was		I am most excited by	In 6 months time I will be disappointed if we haven't
88	There is resources around in Swindon	Energy provision to all community we proposed	No investment nothing happens especially as provision for some activity with E2 with fuel is already in place
89	The aspirations to develop business in Swindon	Potentially University in Swindon	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No progress has been made • Seen improvements to Theatre Square by Groundwork