

Present:

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Fran Lewis	SBC
David Way	SBC
Dilip Dutta	Race Coalition
Joe Backshell	Swindon Coalition of Disabled People/SSP
Steve Henderson	Chaplain, Great Western Hospital, Swindon Churches Together
Alan Nix	Lawn Community Organisation
Shirley Entwistle	SBC
Dilys Huggins	SBC

Meeting decisions:

1	<p>The vision: To develop a sense of community and belonging.</p>
2	<p>Priorities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To have a mixture of people enjoying a clean, safe, welcoming and friendly place where there is a pride in their communities. • Encourage communities to have a strong sense of ownership
3	<p>Delivery:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop strong community communication • Develop opportunities for people to participate in activities of their choice in their local area.

Discussion notes:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Group talked about potential broad definition and the components of the vision, confidence, pride, ownership, responsibility. They also talked about what 'confident; means. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Pride in surroundings ○ Respect for others
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion about priorities: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Do we need to specify age groups? What about different backgrounds ? ○ We should be developing a strong local community through nurturing and encouraging. ○ Communities should be encouraged to provide and encourage people to get to know each other. ○ Ensure neighbours in a community have a focal point. ○ Assist people to develop so that they feel valued.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion about Delivery examples: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Opportunities for sense of community through creation of activities such as sport, clubs, festivals or carnivals. ○ Establishment of local groups with strong local leadership ○ Develop a community website ○ Establish good, accessible information points

- Next steps for information:
 - The work done tonight will form the basis of a document that will go out to consultation for 3 months.
 - Feedback from the consultation will be pulled together and presented at the next Strategic Partnership Conference in June 07.
 - Publication of the strategy will take place around Oct/Nov 07.