

## Swindon Strategic Partnership press release January 2011



Swindon's Strategic Partners have agreed to work together to provide a better future for local residents.

The leader of the council, Roderick Bluh, spoke at the Full Council meeting on 13th January 2011 "In signing this tonight we will be heralding a new way of working. This is about bringing together the work of the council, its public sector partners, the voluntary sector and the business community."

Representatives from all the services showed their backing for the initiative when they signed up to the agreement at the council meeting.

Wiltshire Police Assistant Chief Constable Patrick Geenty said: "On behalf of Wiltshire Police I would like to commit fully to One Swindon. This is probably the most innovative approach to partnership working I've seen. The type of thinking is different, we are talking about how to provide a service to Swindon to make Swindon safer and reduce violence."

Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Assistant Chief Officer Chris Hartrick said: "We are very pleased to support the One Swindon initiative and we recognise that by working together more cohesively we provide a wider safety net to the community."

Labour leader Derique Montaut said: "The Labour group will be supporting the One Swindon project in its infancy it is a principle the Labour group whole heartedly endorses."