

# BLACKPOOL STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP REVIEW NEWSLETTER



Welcome to the first edition of the **BSP Review Newsletter!** The purpose of the newsletter is to keep you fully informed on the:

- Progress of the review
- Outcome of the consultation events and
- Give you the opportunity to comment on the emerging arrangements for the new-look Blackpool Strategic Partnership.



## Consultation Events

To date there have been four Consultation Events giving us the opportunity to engage with over 100 people from across all sectors. The events have been held at four venues during the day and evening giving everyone an opportunity to participate. These have been very positive events with a real sense of openness and commitment to improving the future outlook of the Blackpool Strategic Partnership. The events have focussed on the new structure, terms of reference and governance arrangements. A shared vision has emerged across all stakeholders about the future look of the BSP and this will form a sound basis for developing the new structure.

## Principles of Representation

Whatever the final outlook, we have adopted the Principles of Representation which will under-pin our relationships with all sectors. These are:

**Accountability** – clearly defined responsibilities for all decisions and actions.

**Equality** – place equality, diversity and inclusiveness at the core of what we do.

**Leadership** – the sector's representatives will need to think and act strategically.

**Openness** – be as open as possible in all your dealings and relationships.

**Purpose** – be clear about the local sector's objectives and support them with a strong evidence base.

**Sustainability** – ensuring the continuation of the collective voice.

**Values** – identify and build on the values of the local sectors



## Top Picture:

Alan Cavill setting the BSP scene.

## Bottom Picture:

Fred Barnes helping the group get their thoughts onto paper!

## What's Next?

The consultation period runs for 12 weeks from 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2008. At the conclusion there will be a number of different options circulated for consideration. This will take place in late December, upon receipt of feedback on those options a final decision will be taken on the way forward. All decisions on the future outlook of the BSP will be taken by the key stakeholders engaged with the partnership and will include representatives from across all sectors.

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## Looking Out

In order to ensure this review is:

- Thorough & Transparent
- Open & Inclusive
- Robust
- Successful

We have taken a very outward looking approach, this has meant liaising with other Local Strategic Partnerships nationally in order to learn from their successes and challenges. In order to do this we have consulted with the following Local Strategic Partnerships:

- Wigan
- Hartlepool
- York
- Salford

And in addition we are working closely with **GONW** in order to ensure the new arrangements meet the needs of everyone.

