

# BLACKPOOL STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP REVIEW NEWSLETTER

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## A Christmas Message

As the Local Strategic Partnership Review nears a close and the new structure starts to emerge, the Review Team would like to take the opportunity to wish you all a peaceful Christmas and Happy New Year.

## Last Opportunities to Comment!

The Consultation Period for the Local Strategic Partnership Review ends on 17<sup>th</sup> December 2008! If you have anything you wish to contribute please contact Amanda Bennett before the 17<sup>th</sup>.



## Third Sector Strategic Forum

Interviews for the new Third Sector Strategic Forum Manager are due to take place week commencing 1<sup>st</sup> December 2008. There has been a great deal of interest in this post and in excess of 120 Job Application Packs have been requested. Blackpool, Wyre and Fylde CVS are confident of a start date for the Third Sector Strategic Forum early in the New Year – Watch this space!

## Feedback from the Consultation Events

Over 350 people have now been consulted as part of the Review of the Local Strategic Partnership. Some of the key contributions you made are:

- LSP Assembly is too big, unwieldy and lacks focus
- No-one understands the purpose of the LSP Executive
- Whilst there are a lot of Third Sector Representatives on the LSP many of them are unclear about the true purpose of the Partnership
- The LSP doesn't communicate effectively with wider stakeholders and the people of Blackpool
- There is a lack of trust and respect among some Assembly Members



## You told us you would like to see...

- Greater openness and transparency
- Engagement from key partners
- Clear governance procedures and mechanisms for monitoring non-compliance
- Improved Communication
- More effective Third Sector Engagement
- Greater involvement from Elected Members
- Partners contributions branded their own



## We need your views!

There's still time to share your views on the future of Blackpool Strategic Partnership. To get your voice heard contact:

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