

Local Knowledge - Local Action – Bradford on Avon Community Area

Thursday 23 February 2012 at St Laurence School, Bradford on Avon

Purpose:

Jointly hosted by the Area Board and the Community Area Network, this high profile event will bring together all key stakeholders for discussion and decisions about community priorities. Focusing on local data and agreeing a clear action plan for stakeholders that is 'evidence based'. Informing the review of the community area plan, the work of the BOA2026 Momentum Group and other strategic initiatives.

Information:

Event to be shaped around the knowledge we have about the area - drawing upon all available information from the JSNA, JSA+, community profile, community plan, the results of household and public surveys and other local data sources.

Process:

1. Invited audience of service managers and stakeholders from the community area relevant to each thematic area of discussion.
2. Each participant will receive a personalised invitation jointly from the Chair of the Area Board and the Chair of the Community Area Network.
3. The event will feature a number of simultaneous roundtable themed discussions.
4. Each table will be provided with area-specific data relating to the theme under discussion.
5. Each group will discuss the data and identify the key areas of concern and priorities for action.
6. A community reporter at each table will make a note of the points as they emerge.
7. After 45 minutes, each group will rotate to an adjoining table (the community reporters will remain) and examine each other groups' conclusions – adding more comments from their group perspective.
8. Once complete – reporters will feedback to the audience and this will be captured on film.
9. Finally, participants will be invited to sign up to be involved in taking these issues forward into the future.
10. The outcomes will be reported back to the Area Board to help establish agreed priorities to be taken forward by the Council and other public agencies.

Resources:

Funds available from this years' investment fund, if needed. The aim is to make these events as engaging, interesting and relevant to each community area as possible, using high quality materials and innovative approaches to capture and disseminate information. WC central coordination team will commission various elements - pay for venues, refreshments, equipment and filming, etc.

Outcomes:

- Community engagement and collaboration with key local services and stakeholders.
- Informed and inclusive debate about JSA+ profile information
- Identification of priorities and agreed actions
- Joining up of local resources and services
- Conversations and agreement about how joint working improves in the future
- Renewed impetus for local community plans and partnerships
- Individuals motivated to get involved

Other Considerations:

The events need to compliment the local community planning process undertaken locally. It is important to get as many services and local organisations together as possible.