



Notes of the meeting of Leadership Gloucestershire held on
19 June 2014

1. Welcome, introduction and apologies.

Name	Organisation	Substitute/Apologies
Cllr Mark Hawthorne (Chair)	Gloucestershire County Council	
Cllr Christopher Hancock	Cotswold District Council	Apologies
Cllr Geoff Wheeler	Stroud District Council	
Cllr Paul James	Gloucester City Council	
Cllr Patrick Molyneux	Forest of Dean District Council	
Cllr Robert Vines	Tewkesbury Borough Council	
Cllr Steve Jordan	Cheltenham Borough Council	
Martin Surl	Gloucestershire Police & Crime Commissioner	Pierre Gillett, Corporate Business Advisor
Dr. Helen Miller	Clinical Commissioning Group Chair, NHS Gloucestershire	
Mary Hutton	Accountable Officer NHS Gloucestershire	
Diane Savory	Gloucestershire LEP	Apologies
Chief Executive Advisers		
Pete Bungard	Gloucestershire County Council	Apologies
Mike Dawson	Tewkesbury Borough Council	
Secretariat		
Jane Burns	Gloucestershire County Council	

2. Notes of the previous meeting held on 10 April 2014

The notes of the meeting held on 10 April 2014 were approved.

In terms of matters arising:

Local Transport Board – Andrew North was confirmed as Leadership Gloucestershire's district Chief Executive representative and Cllr Steve Jordan was appointed as the named deputy for Cllr Paul James. **(Action JB).**

3. Leadership Gloucestershire – a proposal for change

Jane Burns re-capped on the discussion at the last meeting. Members felt that the group was still valid and had scope to work on common priorities. Chief Executives were asked to develop proposals based on Option 3 – a focus on overseeing progress on key issues and horizon-scanning for new issues and opportunities to work together; and scaling back to 2-4 meetings per year.

Proposals were discussed with chief executives and lead officers. They supported the following:

Role – broadly within the existing vision, providing public sector ‘glue’. Focus on topical issues, collective voice where necessary; respond to national developments; and networking/sharing good practice.

Membership – the Leaders and the Chief Executives/Lead Directors of the seven councils, the Chair and the Accountable Officer of the Gloucestershire Clinical Commissioning Group, the Police and Crime Commissioner and the Chief Constable. Continues to be chaired by the Leader of Gloucestershire County Council. Invite others to attend on relevant topics. GCC will continue to facilitate.

Frequency of meetings – 2 per year in March and October.

Business - drop the work programme and formal ‘committee style’ papers. Anyone can bring issues. Continue to publish agendas on the Leadership Gloucestershire website.

Members debated the issues raised in the report and agreed to the changes, with the following amendments.

- Include the LEP Chair and the Chief Executive.
- 3 meetings per year: March, July and October.
- All to identify topical issues
- Include annual up-dates on relevant areas e.g. One Gloucestershire assets, CSPIG, Health and Wellbeing Board, Families First etc.

Agreed actions:

- 1) The revised role, membership, frequency of meetings and business for Leadership Gloucestershire be approved starting from 30 October 2014.
- 2) Revised terms of reference be produced to reflect the changes. (**Action: Jane Burns**)

4. GCC Community Engagement: Meeting the Challenge – together we can

Mark Hawthorne gave a presentation on the Council’s major community engagement exercise. This set out the challenges for the next few years to tackle increasing demand and finding reductions. The Council was keen to engage a wide audience in proposals to develop a more coherent “demand management” strategy which focussed on active individuals, active

communities, back to living independently, help where it is needed most. The strategy built on the proposals in the “Your Health, Your Care” strategy with the GCCG.

The Council was undertaking a series of public and staff roadshows had produced and on-line materials to show how outcomes and interventions could be different in the future.

Members broadly welcomed and supported the approach. There was support for on-going discussions about how public sector organisations could “join up” their messages and plans more effectively. A number of members would welcome local briefings.

The discussion also covered community asset mapping, which the GCCG were embarking on. A number of other pieces of mapping work had been done or were in train. The GCCG offered to facilitate an officer discussion to see how this could be done in a way that avoids duplication of effort.

Agreed actions:

- (1) GCCG to facilitate a discussion on community/asset mapping to involve officers from the seven councils, Health and the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner. **(Action: Mary Hutton).**
- (2) District Councils to consider whether they would like to invite GCC to repeat the presentation for their members. **(Action: All).**

5. **2020 Vision for Joint Working**

Patrick Molyneux and Steve Jordan talked to the briefing note which set out proposals to expand GO Shared Services. They were interested in exploring savings and improved resilience whilst keeping four councils with separate identities and independence.

The proposal was possible due to earlier work on a shared IT platform. It was also supported by funding from DCLG’s Transformation Fund of £500k.

If others were interesting in finding out more, they can contact David Neudegg, Chief Executive of Cotswold and West Oxfordshire District Councils.

6. **Progress Reports**

(a) Countywide Strategy Planning Issues Group

Paul James gave an up-date from the last meeting. The group is looking at its role and whether it would be better to link directly to the new Gloucestershire Economic Growth Joint Committee. It was noted that Andrew North, in collaboration with Mike Dawson and Nigel Riglar, would produce a report.

(b) Health and Wellbeing Board

Mary Hutton gave an up-date on the last meeting. The Better Care Fund submission had received positive feedback from DOH. The Director of Public Health's annual report would focus on health inequalities. The Board had also considered a mental health concordat and the draft Health and Wellbeing Plan. Mary also mentioned that the new 100-strong provider forum was meeting for the first time shortly and that the Better Together Forum was also established. Overall very good progress is being made, and it feels "joined-up".

7. Domestic Homicide Reviews

Steve Jordan explained that, unusually, Gloucestershire had had four Domestic Homicide Reviews in a short space of time. They are overseen by district-level Community Safety Partnerships because of their statutory responsibilities. Cheltenham had had two DHR and wanted to establish a common approach, determine who should fund, and whether any training was needed. There was a fourth point around the separate process for Serious Case reviews and whether there needs to be lobbying of Government to align the review processes.

Members agreed that the paper raised important issues which needed to be properly addressed. A group of officers were already looking at Gloucestershire's approach to Domestic Violence. They would be reporting back to the Health and Wellbeing Board. Members wished the content of the paper and the issues raised to be brought to the attention of the Domestic Violence Group. They also wished to see their report in course.

Agreed actions

The issues in the Domestic Homicide Reviews paper and the comments from Leadership Gloucestershire be reported to the officers developing a Gloucestershire approach to Domestic Violence.

(Action: Jane Burns).

8. AOB

- Tourism DMO – Paul James raised an issue about recent changes and challenges around the Cotswolds DMO. He was keen to establish an agreed way forward. It was agreed that these would be explored outside of the meeting and possibly referred to the Gloucestershire Economic Growth Joint Committee if necessary.

9. Date of next meeting

Thursday 30 October 2014 10.00 am – 12.00 noon.

(Revised Leadership Gloucestershire membership). **(Action: Jane Burns)**