



BASP Partner Workshops December 2015



Basingstoke Area Strategic Partnership

Notes from workshop discussion groups

Approximately 50 people representing 25 organisations attended the BASP workshops in December 2015. The aim of the event was to bring partners together to review the latest release of the indices of deprivation data, to discuss opportunities for joint working, to network and to share information on current and planned activities.

Anthony Bravo, as BASP chair welcomed delegates and provided some background on how the indices of deprivation has been utilised locally in the past and the past priorities identified from the data. Sally Kenyon then presented a summary of the data released in September 2015. Delegates were then moved into discussion groups.

During the first session, delegates were asked to offer their initial reactions to the information provided during the presentations and to then consider whether any clear priorities stood out from the data.

1. Mental Health

Mental Health was raised in all the six workshop groups and a number of specific issues were highlighted. Delegates felt from their experience that mental health problems were on the rise, particularly among young people and that existing services were struggling to meet the demand. This has meant long waiting lists for young people's mental health services and problems not being addressed early enough to prevent deterioration. This in turn impacts on a number of areas such as educational attainment and employment. Delegates felt further analysis of the data would be useful in helping to identify particular areas or issues Priority Action Groups could focus actions on.

2. Education and Skills

This was also mentioned in most of the groups, particularly in relation to the gap in attainment across areas within the borough. There was concern expressed over attainment levels at KS4, however, it was also highlighted that the data used focuses on University entrances and does not take into account those entering higher level apprenticeships or employment with training.

3. Housing

Issues around housing also came up in most of the groups, key issues raised were:

- Barriers to housing and services need to be understood in terms of how they impact on residents' access to employment and health services. Further data analysis would be useful for Priority Action Groups to review.
- A greater emphasis needs to be placed on the social element when planning regeneration.
- Affordability of properties for people on low incomes.



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Other Issues

A number of other issues were raised across the workshop groups:

- Social Isolation
- Increase in smoking rates
- In work poverty and unstable household incomes
- Budgeting skills and debt
- The gap within the data between the most and least deprived wards
- Digital inclusion
- Understanding how cultural issues impact on how and if people access services
- The impact of disabilities and long term health conditions on people's safety
- Welfare Reform and the need to monitor the impact of the introduction of Universal Credit

The second set of discussions looked more at partnership working and how we develop joint actions to address issues. Delegates suggested that partners could consider together whether planned activities will help to reduce inequalities, are sustainable and will empower communities.

The possibility of establishing geographical PAGs was raised, with partners from different sectors coming together to focus on a particular ward or area. The potential risk of duplicating existing activity was however raised in regard to this approach.

A number of delegates felt effective communication between the PAGs and with the BASP Board was central to effective partnership working across BASP. BASP is in an ideal place to be able to identify opportunities for collaboration and map access routes and pathways through the various services. PAG chairs and the BASP Board could review together partnership priorities and action plans and feed this back to PAG members. This should be a two way communication process.

Partners wanted to know what services are currently available, or planned, and how together we can best share this information and how we can support people in accessing them.

Next Steps

- BASP coordinator to collate notes from workshop sessions and circulate to delegates
- BASP coordinator to circulate indices of deprivation slides to delegates
- PAG leads and BASP board to review suggestions from workshop sessions and to consider how these can be taken forward and take back to PAGs



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Delegate List

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Julie Maskery	Hampshire Hospitals Foundation Trust
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Annie Noble	Hampshire Wellbeing Services
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