

Significant Partnerships 2011/2012		
	Quarter 1 30/06/2011	Comment
<b>Sub-Regional Partnerships</b>		
Oxfordshire Partnership Board	G	Oxfordshire Partnership has refreshed its' Sustainable Community Strategy, Oxfordshire 2030 and launched an Armed Services Community Covenant.
Children's Trust	G	Cllr Macnamara is Oxon DC's rep on the Childrens Trust. Cllr Sames and Head of Recreation & Health sit on the North and West Safeguarding Board.
Health and Well Being Partnership Board	A	Some uncertainty about the future nature, remit and structure of the new Boards proposed through the health and social care sector reforms.
Environment and Waste Partnership	G	The Partnership continues to operate effectively.
Oxfordshire Safer Community Partnership	G	Paper submitted to last OSCP on its future role and make-up. Concerns expressed as to the feel this had for county scrutiny over CSCP, but assurances given that this not intended. Revised arrangements are proposed as the way to gear up to new ways of working under a Crime Commissioner (awaiting Government proposals on this having being rejected by House of Lords).
Stronger Communities Alliance	G	OSCA exploring new initiatives OSCA are looking at options around community bonds and big society initiatives. Representatives of Housing Services are represented on the board.
Local Enterprise Partnerships (Oxford City Region)	G	CDC has participated in early Partnership work; particularly around Regional Growth Fund and Enterprise Zone initiatives. Thus far it has been difficult to influence thinking/decisions in LEPs. Promotion of a Bicester Enterprise Zone (EZ) was not successful.
Local Enterprise Partnerships (South Midlands)	G	CDC has participated in early Partnership work; particularly around Regional Growth Fund and Enterprise Zone initiatives. Thus far it has been difficult to influence thinking/decisions in LEPs. Promotion of a Bicester EZ was not successful.
<b>Cherwell-specific Partnerships</b>		
Cherwell Local Strategic Partnership	G	Over 80 representatives from local public, private and community groups attended the Local Strategic Partnerships successful annual Reference Group in June. The event, hosted by Kidlington Parish Council, provided an opportunity for consultation, networking and celebrating the role of community groups and volunteers across the district.
Cherwell Safer Community Partnership	G	June meeting were introduced to likely role in Domestic Homicide Reviews and in the Government's proposals for ASB 'Tool Kit' and in particular the 'Community Trigger'.
Cherwell M40 Investment Partnership	G	CHIP Working Group held in May. Arrangements for international trade & investment clarified. Eco-town economic strategy explained with challenges identified. Commercial interest in strategic investment sites in Banbury has grown, with major investment to start imminently.
Banbury Town Centre Partnership	G	Limited effectiveness other than as a reporting of work of the partners. Needs to consider its ongoing role and purpose.
Bicester Vision	G	New Bicester Vision (BV) Partnership Manager appointed and will be taking up post in September 2011. At this point, CDC will cease to "host" BV for personnel and finance purposes, however will continue to support BV as previously.
Kidlington Village Centre Management Board	G	June meeting discussed the need for an overhaul and more of a business planning approach being adopted. Further proposals to be generated by small working group for submission at next meeting.
Homelessness Strategy Partnership	G	Homelessness prevention will be embedded within the forthcoming housing strategy.
Cherwell RSL Partnership & Sanctuary Housing Group	G	Future housing investment and local housing delivery:- Officers have worked closely with registered providers and the Homes and Communities Agency to support the RP packages which will help to secure future affordable housing provision. In addition the annual 2 way appraisal between the Council and Sanctuary Group has taken place and former Charter Community Housing organisation has been integrated into the Sanctuary Housing business transfer of engagements.
NW Bicester Strategic Delivery Board	G	The Strategic Delivery Board continues to meet to deliver the Eco Bicester Project. The next meeting will take place on 21 July 2011.
Banbury Brighter Futures	G	The Partnership met in July and will meet again in the Autumn.