

**Cherwell District Council Business Plan : 2013/2014  
Partnerships - Quarter 2 (September 2013)**

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Sub Regional Partnerships					
CPart001	Oxfordshire Partnership Board	G	G	⇒	The Oxfordshire Partnership Board involves representatives from the key statutory, community, voluntary and business sectors from around the county. It's six monthly meetings include updates from all the key county wide partnerships and partnership developments including those of the District Local Strategic Partnerships where they exist.
CPart002	Health and Well Being Partnership Board	G	G	⇒	The Health & Well Being Partnership Board (H&WB) is a county wide structure based on an overarching Oxfordshire H&WB Board supported by three partnership boards - Health Improvement, Children and Young People and Adult Health and Social Care. The Council has representatives that sit on the Health Improvement and the Children and Young People Partnership Boards but rely on other Districts representation for the remaining boards. An Oxfordshire H&WB Strategy has been established based on the findings of the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment. Each of the boards then have specific responsibilities, priorities and actions which contribute to delivering the H&WB strategy. The key priorities and joint activity for Districts relate to ill health prevention, obesity and housing services which enable people to remain in their own homes for as long as possible.
CPart003	Environment and Waste Partnership	G	G	⇒	Environment & Waste Partnership operating well.
CPart004	Oxfordshire Safety Community Partnership	G	G	⇒	The partnership is on-going and delivering the priorities of the Police Crime Commissioner (PCC). In addition the partnership is negotiating funding with the PCC and investigating savings in joint commissioning.
CPart005	Stronger Communities Alliance	G	G	⇒	Watching brief kept on Oxfordshire Stronger Communities Alliance. It doesn't seem to achieve much beyond the networking opportunities afforded by its meetings. Councillor Donaldson has been appointed as Members' representative.
CPart006	Local Enterprise Partnerships Oxfordshire (LEP)	G	G	⇒	Close liaison and engagement continues.
CPart007	Local Enterprise Partnerships South Midlands (SEMLEP)	G	G	⇒	Close liaison and extensive engagement continues with Board members representation. Participation in the development of the SEMLEP strategy and services by officers at all levels. Current areas of development include the EU Strategy and growth deal, with SNC leading on the development of the Logistics Strategy for SEMLEP.

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Cherwell Specific Partnerships					
CPart008	Cherwell Local Strategic Partnership (LSP)	A	G	⇒	Local Strategic Partnership (LSP) Reference Group conference was held in July (jointly with Voluntary Organisations Forum). Board meetings were held in April, June, July, September. The LSP Board continues to function but its agenda has not been proactively guided, due to reduced officer resource.
CPart009	Cherwell Safer Community Partnership	G	G	⇒	The partnership meets regularly and in partnership with the County are enjoying a positive dialogue with the Police Crime Commissioner. However future funding in 14-15 may be reduced dramatically from £100k to possibly as little as £30k. Funding negotiations are ongoing at county wide level.
CPart010	Cherwell M40 Investment Partnership (CHIP)	G	G	⇒	<p>The Economic Development Service has provided a day-to-day enquiry handling service for existing businesses and inward investors in partnership with public and private bodies. Participation in the Municipal Journal Growth Agenda conference in London which announced the benchmarking of Council areas in England in terms of their attractiveness to commercial investors. Cherwell was ranked by Local Futures as the 11th out of 325 which represents a very competitive position upon which to develop.</p> <p>Subsequent work was commissioned from Local Futures by CDC and presented to the meeting of CHIP on 18 July, enabling local commercial agents and other professional services to use the research to develop their own services in support of the Cherwell Economic Development Strategy's objectives. A more detailed inward investment strategy is to follow.</p> <p>CHIP partners have also contributed to the mapping of broadband provision across the District, and facilitated the temporary use of some buildings to support the Council's wider objectives.</p>
CPart011	Banbury Town Centre Partnership	G	G	⇒	Regular liaison. Currently working jointly on a plan for the use of the Portas monies for Banbury to help strengthen the Town Centre economy through improved signage and promotion.
CPart012	Bicester Vision Partnership	G	G	⇒	Regular liaison. Lengthy debate on level of employment land in Bicester. Bicester Vision (BV) are members of Cherwell M40 Investment Partnership (CHIP). CDC is working with BV on promotion of Bicester.
CPart013	Kidlington Village Centre Management Board	G	G	⇒	Consultancy firm appointed to produce a masterplan outlining Kidlington's strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats. It will provide guidance for future planning applications and developments in the area. No meetings of the Village Management Board this quarter.
CPart014	Homelessness Strategy Partnership	G	G	⇒	New Homeless Strategy Action Plan proceeding to November 2013 Executive for approval.

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CPart015	Cherwell RSL Partnerships & Sanctuary Housing	G	G	⇒	Sanctuary Housing remain the largest provider of social housing in Cherwell. Councillors continue to attend board meetings locally to monitor their progress. The housing department holds quarterly meetings with all key development partners. This partnership will continue to develop to include the Cherwell Community Land Trust (CCLT) in due course. A Registered Providers Housing Management Group is also established quarterly where all providers meet to share best practice and discuss their progress on changes they are experiencing due to welfare reforms.
CPart016	NW Bicester Strategic Delivery Board	G	G	⇒	The Strategic Delivery Board continues to meet quarterly to oversee the growth of Bicester and publicise the work that is taking place. Agendas, minutes and reports are available via mod Gov.
CPart017	Banbury Brighter Futures Partnership Strategy Group	G	G	⇒	Theme priorities established for the year. Additional multi agency projects funded for 2013/14. November partners engagement event planning underway. Local Government Chronicle Public Partnership award submission made.