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Oxfordshire-wide Partnerships					
Supporting People	G	G	CMT Success The County-wide Housing Support Fair was held on Wednesday 16 September in the Town Hall, Oxford. The event was a real success as shown by the number of people that attended and the positive comments received on the day. The fair was opened by the town crier and was attended by 25 providers from across Oxfordshire. These ranged from services for single homeless people and young people to services for people with mental health problems and advice and signposting agencies.		
Children and Young People's Partnership	G	G	CMT Success Children and young peoples plan being reviewed during this year. North Area Board now set up. Safeguarding Policy and Action Plan approved by Committee, and training now being rolled out.		
Oxfordshire Housing Partnership	G	G	The Oxfordshire Housing Partnership Members Group has formally ended though the OHP Delivery Group continues. CDC has arranged the first meeting of the Oxfordshire Housing Performance Group. This group is the sub-regional housing performance team of the spatial planning and infrastructure partnership and is responsible for the performance framework of sub-regional housing activities within Oxfordshire.		
Oxfordshire Waste Partnership	G	G	Partnership performing well. Progress towards LAA2 targets is good. Financially on track.		
Oxfordshire Economic Partnership	G	A	CMT Exception An agreement has been reached, subject to OEP board ratification, on revised District Council representation on the Board. However, there appears to be some lack of agreement as to how this will operate in practice. Meanwhile, OEP's proposals for the use of LAA Reward Grant have been rejected by the Public Service Board. Currently OEP do not appear to be satisfying local authority expectations.		
Oxfordshire Safer Communities Partnership	G	G	CMT Emerging Issue OSCP currently considering new scrutiny arrangements. Need to ensure they match CDC aspirations.		
Oxfordshire Voluntary Sector Development Partnership (OVSDP)	G	G	OVSDP has carried out its own review and re-named as Oxfordshire Stronger Communities Alliance (OSCA) which will now provide the voluntary sector with an effective voice on LAA partnerships.		

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Health and Well Being Partnership Board	G	G	Specific progress made with improved mental health, ageing successfully and obesity. Clarity on use of LAA1 reward grant and area based grant.			
Cherwell-specific Partnerships						
Cherwell Community Planning Partnership	G	G	Consultation on both governance and Sustainable Community Strategy running to schedule. Several special meetings held to discuss draft Sustainable Community Strategy.			
Cherwell Safer Community Partnership	G	G	CMT Success Special meeting of group arranged to establish a partnership risk register. All action groups on track to deliver their targets.			
Homelessness Strategy Partnership	G	G	CMT Success On September 14 CDC hosted the Engage event. Agencies and charities who contribute to the prevention of homelessness in the district were invited. These included Citizens Advice Bureau, Christians against Poverty, Banbury Young Homeless Project, Rachel House, the Foyer, and the Beacon Centre. Staff from these agencies and charities took place in training on working with vulnerable adults, domestic violence, and young people.			
Cherwell Registered Social Landlords Partnership and Sanctuary Housing Group	G	G	CMT Success On September 30 CDC hosted the Built to Last event at which all housing associations operating in the district signed up to a set of protocols to ensure that homes are well managed once built.			
Cherwell M40 Investment Partnership	G	G	A useful quarterly meeting was held, when feedback was sought on the updating of the Council's Economic Development Strategy. Inward investment activity is very low due to the recession, and the partnership does not advocate general marketing expenditure at this time.			
Kidlington Village Centre Management Board	G	G	Attendance at Board meetings. Completion of Street furniture project. Establishment of Pedestrianisation Project to consider options for the High Street. Discussions planned on parking in Kidlington. Consultation on possible taxi rank provision.			
Banbury Town Centre Partnership	G	G	Attendance at Partnership meetings. Progress on Town Centre Guide. Updates provided on Parson Street, car parking, arts projects. Investigation of use of vacant shop premises.			
Bicester Vision	G	G	The partnership is operating effectively and has an encouraging amount of support from local businesses.			

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Central Oxfordshire Steering Group			A new Partnership - Spatial Planning and Infrastructure Partnership - SPIP, has been formed under the revised County Partnership Governance arrangements. It replaces COSG. SPIP will cover sub-regional and cross boundary liaison on planning, housing, economic development and infrastructure issues. Its early work on the Government's Homes and Communities Agency Single Conversation and Local Investment Plan is underway.