

Community Works Representative Feedback and Communication Form

Your Name	Laura Willams
Your Organisation	Community Works
Name of Partnership Meeting	Neighbourhoods, Communities and Equalities Committee
Date & time of meeting	20 July 2015, The Bridge
1	<p>Chair's Intro:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Committee will straddle many subject areas in the Council. • They don't want a city of two halves and bringing the themes into one Committee very helpful. • Also congratulations sent to Pat Wellar Chair of Hangleton and Knoll for Project for her MBE and also Band of Brothers for their Queens Award for Voluntary Service • Cllr Simpson asked a question to Cllr Daniel about commitment to the Community Safety agenda as there was some concern from those that had been involved in the Community Safety Forum. • Cllr Daniel responded strong commitment and standing item. • Community Works also added our intention to outreach to Community Safety Groups and use our Communities Network as a place to discuss issues as the Committee develops.
2	<p>Fairness Commission:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • At the moment a lot of data and research is disparate – this is an opportunity to bring all in one place. • Lots of conversation about it being tried before, questions from Cllrs about whether it is a waste of money. • Cllr Simpson asked for the role of EquiP to be considered in light of the new Committee – Richard Tuset, Head of Policy responded that they will be looked to take forward some of the actions. • Community Works suggested that Brighton and Hove Connected would be a good place to do interim work and also take on recommendations – Richard Tuset said that that they would look to do this. • Community Works also stated that they looked forward to facilitating the voice of the voluntary and community sector and their service users in the process.
3	<p>Third sector investment:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I didn't need to make most of our points as they came up from others anyway. For example: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Cllr Littman raised what would be done where organisations might not fit the themes of the Prospectus, such as the Resource Centre. ○ Cllr Moonan and Cllr Simpson concerned about small groups and medium groups and where they fit in to the process, the don't want them to be squeezed out. ○ Geraldine Hoban agreed that the prospectus model a great approach for recognising the social value of the third sector. • Cllr Daniel talked about trying to find ways of using contingency funding where needed. • Cllr Daniel said they were exploring the idea of running a development fund to help groups explore their sustainability over the next year. • Community Works advocated for protecting budgets until the development process played out to allow for the best outcome. • The paper was approved with broad support from all parties.