



# TEAM DONCASTER STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP

15th January 2019

**Present:** Mayor Ros Jones, Patrick Birch (representing Children and Families Executive Board), Mark Douglas (representing Doncaster Children's Services Trust); Dan Fell, Doncaster Chamber; Cllr Nuala Fennelly, Paul Harper (representing Dept. for Work and Pensions); Jo Miller, Doncaster Council (for item 1); Shaun Morley, South Yorkshire Police; Jackie Pederson, Doncaster Clinical Commissioning Group; Marie Purdue (representing Doncaster and Bassetlaw Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust), Paul Tanney, St Leger Homes; and Anne Tyrrell, Doncaster College

**Also in attendance from Doncaster Council:** Lee Tillman and Allan Wiltshire.

## Part One

### **Team Doncaster Partnership Structure Review – Priorities Setting Session**

What are the future challenges and opportunities for Team Doncaster collaboration?

At an interactive exercise, involving discussion and the gallery display of A3 sized copies of previously submitted PowerPoint slides, partners considered the following:

*(Slide One) Context:* In terms of delivering our partnership priorities e.g. Doncaster Growing Together What are your biggest challenges and potential opportunities?

*(Slide Two) Response:* What are you doing or planning to do to address your challenges and maximise your opportunities over the next 12-18 months?

*(Slide Three) Opportunities:* Given the context and your response, are there any elements of Doncaster Growing Together that need to change to enable us to focus on the things that are most urgent, transformational and require a Team Doncaster Approach?

In group discussions consideration was then given to 3 questions: What are the key opportunities the partnership must focus on? Are they still true to the DGT tests - are they urgent; transformational; and requiring a Team Doncaster approach? How might we take these forward?

Building on what had been said in the group discussion key opportunities we should focus on were identified, based upon four principles: Supporting Early Intervention/Prevention in our Communities; Growing Assets in our Neighbourhoods; Presenting a Strong Public Service Offer; and Developing Community Assets:

Proposal 1: Spending time understanding each other's perspectives;

Proposal 2: Tactical and Local Integration:

- a) Communicating: Sharing Intelligence and Networking; and
- b) Communicating: Encouraging Frontline Networking Opportunities;

Proposal 3: Doing More with Less – with a focus on early help; intervention; and prevention; and

Proposal 4: Growing and Supporting Small and Medium Sized Enterprises (SME's).

## Part Two

### 1. **Doncaster Growing Together (DGT) Update**

Partners received an update on DGT programmes and a snap shot of progress including Social Mobility Opportunity Area, and Education Inclusion (Learning Theme); Inclusive Growth Strategy (Working Theme); Complex Lives/Town Centre, Homes for All, Get Doncaster Moving, and Arts, Creativity and Culture (Living Theme); and Doncaster Place Plan (Caring Theme). Overall the direction of travel on DGT programmes is positive. Specific updates were presented on Big Picture Learning (BPL), the University Technical College (UTC) and the Future High Street Fund. The Complex Lives Team and St Leger Homes had successfully re-housed 20 people over the Christmas period.

i. Housing Needs Study

The purpose of a Housing Needs Study is to provide:

- a) Evidence of what is happening in the local housing market;
- b) A snapshot of opinion and intentions, need and demand; and
- c) An indication of past housing need trends in an effort to predict future trends.

The work of the Housing Needs Study undertaken to date was noted. It was acknowledged that further work would be undertaken to ensure there is appropriate evidence to support people's housing needs across the borough; and to shape the market to meet the needs of our population.

ii. Team Doncaster Partnership Structure Review

Partners noted the update on actions arising from the TD Partnership Structure Review to date and next steps in taking the review forward around four actions:

Action One. The **structure and quality of meetings** – To be taken forward in four phases: re-establish our priorities; thematic discussions; bringing it together and implementation;

(The exercise to re-establish priorities and discuss the key opportunities we need to take forward as a partnership was undertaken at this meeting and is set out under Part One above).

Action Two. **The Team Doncaster Strategic Partnership agenda** – The organisation of TDSP agendas into three categories (Agreement, Consultation and Information Only), so that it is clear for attendees at the meeting on what is being asked of them, and also for the report authors to be clear on what they need to provide;

Action Three. Explore the option of **joint staff training/leadership sessions** across the year building up middle managers and junior leaders who present reports across the partnership. This could be overseen by the Team Doncaster OD Group. Partners interested in how this could be formed were invited to put ideas forward; and

Action Four. **Role of the Inclusion and Fairness Forum Chair** – Initial discussions with potential chairs are ongoing which has been positive but without confirmation at this stage.

2. Devolution Update

A Yorkshire Leaders Meeting had taken place on Friday 11th January 2019; and a One Yorkshire Committee had been established to promote the One Yorkshire Campaign. It was acknowledged that additional communication and engagement activity was required at a faster pace. The benefits of working at a One Yorkshire level were discussed particularly with regard to economic impact and coherence. It was confirmed that 18 authorities and the Sheffield City Region Mayor have re-iterated their commitment to a One Yorkshire Deal. Information on plans to hold a One Yorkshire Conference, with stakeholders from a range of communities of interest, will be circulated once more details are available.