

BOROUGH OF KETTERING

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Report Originator	Community Partnerships Manager Kettering Borough Council	<i>Fwd Plan Ref No:</i> -	
Wards Affected	All	18 July 2014	
Title	KETTERING PARTNERSHIP CONFERENCE 17th OCTOBER 2014		

1. **PURPOSE OF REPORT**

To ask the Executive Board to discuss and agree on the format for this year's LSP Conference

2. **INFORMATION**

2.1 Kettering Partnership held its 5th Annual Conference in October 2013 which was a thought provoking and stimulating event. £67.65 was raised for Breakthrough Breast Cancer Care and many delegates responded to the challenge to 'wear something pink' and purchase pink cup cakes.

2.2 The conference heard from keynote speakers including Councillors Russell Roberts and Ian Jelley, Chair and Deputy Chair of the LSP respectively; Adam Simmonds, Police and Crime Commissioner; Raf Poggi, Chair of Kettering Health and Wellbeing Panel; Cindy Wrighting and young people from Youth Works; and Trish Dewar from Groundwork with her team of volunteers.

2.3 There were also opportunities for partners to use the event for their organisations' consultations as well as provide details of the services they offer.

3. **KETTERING PARTNERSHIP CONFERENCE 2014**

3.1 Following the continued success of previous years, this year's conference has been scheduled for 17th October 2014.

3.2 The proposal for this year's conference is to use the event to build on the success of the last one and to report on progress of targets set in the current Sustainable Community Strategy. We would then invite appropriate partners to lead stimulating and interesting sessions based around the Strategy.

3.3 With regards to format, it is proposed to remain with the format of last year, as according to the evaluations there was overwhelming support for this approach.

3.4 It is suggested that the following subjects be included:

- Update on progress of Sustainable Community Strategy

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- Town Centre Regeneration – includes new initiatives developed since last year's event
- Community Wellbeing Service – new NCC contract and what it means for Kettering
- Skills – young people through apprenticeships and the new National Lottery Talent Match contract which focuses on Kettering.

3.5 There would also be an opportunity for organisations to showcase their work and also undertake any consultation work that they may have.

3.6 Participants would be able to take the opportunity to partake in networking opportunities at the end of the conference over lunch, which is often seen as the most valuable part of any conference.

8. RECOMMENDATION

The LSP Executive:

- Agrees the format for this year's conference and identifies any further areas of focus.
- Authorises officers to progress with the plans for the conference.