

BOROUGH OF KETTERING

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Report Originator	Community Development Officer Kettering Borough Council	<i>Fwd Plan Ref No:</i>	
Wards Affected	All	14 th July 2017	
Title	KETTERING PARTNERSHIP CONFERENCE 10th OCTOBER 2017		

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's Partnership holds an annual conference in October each year. This year will be the 9th conference.
- 2.2 The conference normally hears from keynote speaker drawn from partner agencies from business and voluntary sectors.
- 2.3 Partners also use the conference as an opportunity to showcase their organisations' services and how they contribute as well as any consultations.

3. KETTERING PARTNERSHIP CONFERENCE 2017

- 3.1 Following the continued success of previous years, this year's conference has been scheduled for 10th October 2017.
- 3.2 The proposal for this year's conference is to use the event to focus on the challenges older people face. Celebrate the partnership working between the voluntary sector, business and Kettering Borough Council, incorporating mental health as the 10th October coincides with World Mental Health Day.
- 3.3 It is suggested that the following subjects will be included:
 - Mental Health Awareness
 - Older people and the services, activities and support that is available to them through the voluntary sector, business and Service Level Agreements provided Kettering Borough Council
 - Health and Wellbeing – hear the work of partners with interactive elements
 - Skills, Education and Employment – what is happening across the partnership highlighting volunteering
 - Community Safety – including the new policing model
 - Growth and Regeneration – including town centres

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- 3.4 The current Sustainable Community Strategy came to an end in October 2016 and work is currently under way to refresh this. A new strategy is looked to be published in time for the conference in October 2017.
- 3.5 Participants will 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 the conference.

4. 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.