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**‘The main role of local councils is to  
Support their Communities’**

# A Partnership to Support the Local Community

## How did it start?

- A feeling of frustration in Eye that local views were not sufficiently taken into account when agencies made decisions that affected the Town - particularly the failure to secure a neighbourhood plan.
- An view agreed between the three tiers of local government that there must be a more co-operative way of working that ensures the community have more of a say and that the assets of the community are better understood and utilised by wider agencies.
- A shared concern to planning for a sustainable future.
- Consequent agreement to jointly fund Locality Matters to carry out a baseline study on which to plan further work.

# What did Locality Matters set out to do?

## Background

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### Eye Partnership:

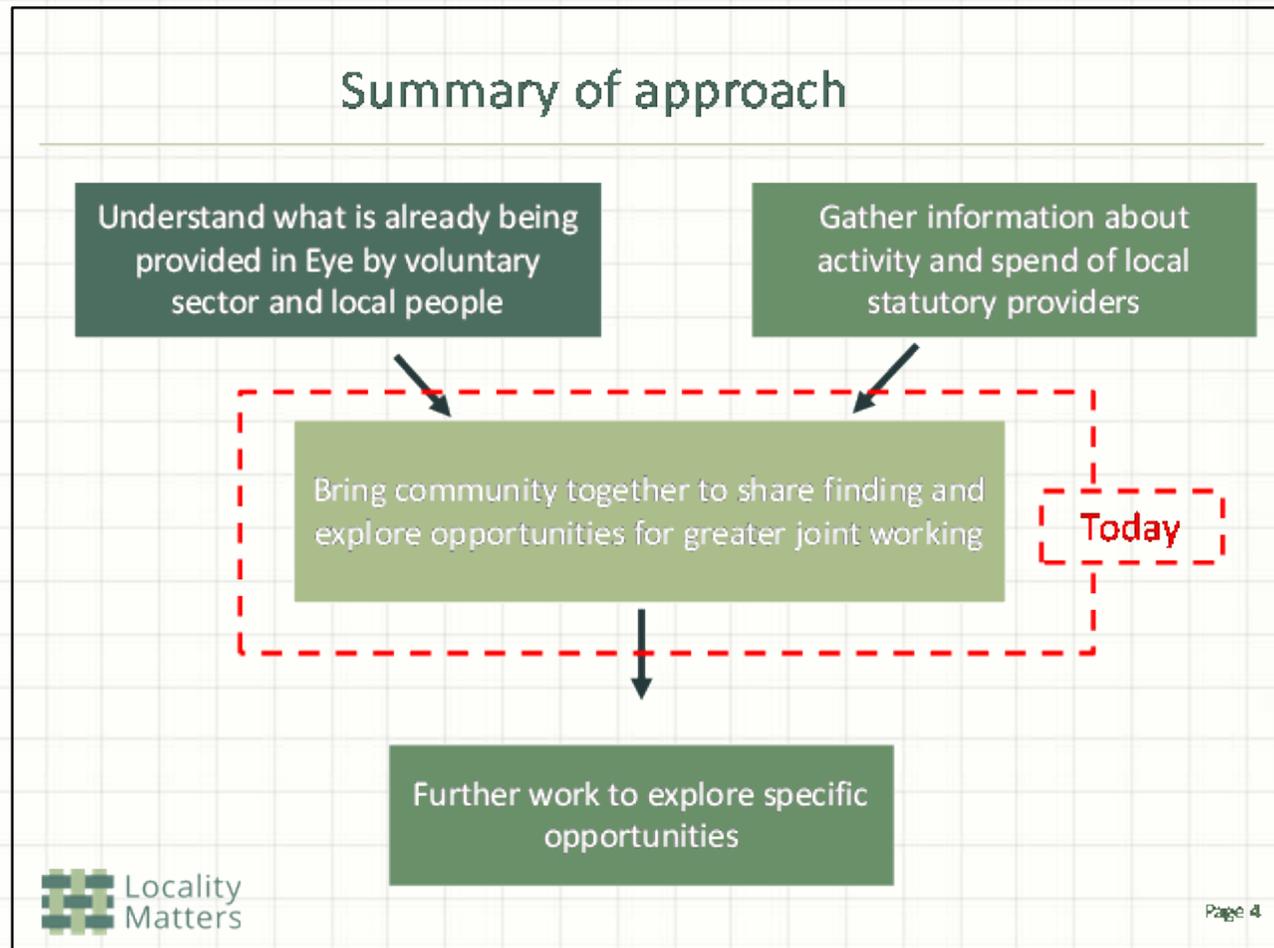


EYE TOWN COUNCIL



To explore the potential for local people in Eye to play a far more significant role in the design, commissioning and delivery of public services or reducing demand for these services.

# We were at the 'further work' stage:



# Locality Matters findings:

## So what?

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- There is a great deal of money spent
- Some (maybe quite a lot) of this money is wasted
- There is probably quite a lot of duplication of effort
  - Dealing with same families
  - Asking the same questions etc
- Sometimes money is spent doing things that local community groups could do cheaper and better
- Community has virtually no say in how the majority of this money is spent
- Capabilities of the community are not always well understood by providers of services - so they don't benefit from that capability
- Community is not always aware of the scale of services being delivered
- Organisations and departments within organisations are inconsistent in the way they deal with communities

# Locality Matters further work:

## Suggested areas to look at in more detail (1)

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- Reducing demand on health and social care sector
  - Social prescription -
    - helping people with long term conditions
    - an alternative to prescribed drugs
  - Identify and support people who are lonely and isolated and direct to community provision
  - Help free up bed blocking by tapping into community provision
  - Support domiciliary care providers and reablement service
- Grounds maintenance contracts
  - Could these be combined and explore potential for local provision
- More youth provision
- Encourage greater take up of local services by those parts of Eye where take up is lower

# Locality Matters further work:

## Suggested areas to look at in more detail (2)

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- **Look again at Hartismere Wellbeing Centre**
  - Make better use of the building
    - Reduce charges, open up to non - health
  - Continue to explore getting other services in there
    - GP practice to relocate?
    - Minor injuries unit, x ray unit
    - Encourage other (neighbouring) CCGs to commission services from Hartismere
- **Demand more of a say in how benefits from the new housing on airfield will be shared in the community**
- **Long term...**
  - Transfer ownership of Hartismere Hospital to the community?
  - Transfer ownership of Housing stock to community?
  - Community playing far greater role in commissioning of health and care services



A number of staff from different agencies have been actively working in Eye to follow up LM by developing community capacity, engaging with community groups and sections of the community and linking with service redesign processes including:

- Gareth Moir SCC
- Kate Turner SCC
- David Clark MSDC
- Tom Barker MSDC
- Delia Cook MSDC
- Zoey Banthorpe MSDC
- Mark Cooke IWSCCG
- Becky Green Forge Church
- Claire Taylor Haigh CAS

## Older people and Health

- Community capacity/resilience an explicit part of the INT for the Eye area

## EYE LOCAL HEALTH CENTRE - NOMINATION FOR COMMUNITY SUPPORT

Patient Name:	Patient Contact Details (telephone and/or email):
Patient has given consent to be contacted: Yes/No	GP name:

NAME OF COMMUNITY GROUP	WHAT THEY DO	CONTACT REQUESTED
Dementia		
Dementia Support Group	A chat and coffee in Hartismere Place	
Dove Project – Memory Cafe	For anybody experiencing dementia to develop provision and knowledge of dementia	
Brain Injury and Stroke		
Eye Stroke Support Group	A gathering of people affected by stroke – information, shared activities, exercise and outings	
Headway	Support services and rehabilitation activities for adults with acquired brain injury, stroke or neurological condition – The Bank Café Eye	
Bereavement		
Bereavement Friendship and Support Group	A support group for those suffering from any loss.	

# Young people

- Evidence of need required – SCC commissioned Forge Church.
- Funding for a detached youth worker
- Better links with the schools
- Existing groups to be supported by an Email network
- Better promotion of what is available – an Events diary
- Evidence to be used for funding bids for funding for new activities for marginalised groups eg Art based at The Bank.

# Development issues

- Agreement with MSDC on a range of actions – see next slide
- An event for occupiers of the Airfield Business Park to identify needs and opportunities to be organised by MSDC with New Anglia LEP
- Some engagement with individual occupiers – broadband and A140 junction key issues
- Influence Suffolk Infrastructure Plan
- Work to identify how reserve matters and Section 106 can be shaped for the major residential development.
- Joining in with the Waveney Valley Tourism initiative
- A visioning event for local customer/visitor facing businesses - what should Eye look like and how should it be promoted.

Action Points	Lead?
1. There is time for some informal consultation prior to the local plan being published for formal consultation.	
1. A meeting with somebody from strategic planning policy will be arranged to discuss.	David Clarke to set up
1. An event focused on the business park covering planning and economic development will be discussed on the 31st January	David, Delia, Andy (and policy planner?)
1. An event will be arranged to allow the community to influence reserve matters details on the major residential development.	David to discuss with Steve Stroud initially
1. Further consideration will be given to a study of Eye and possibly other former airfields in the area.	Tom to discuss with Ian Dunnett
1. The opportunity to slightly vary or qualify the terms of the section 106 agreement on the major residential development will be considered.	Tom
1. Mechanisms will be considered to establish a process to involve the community on defining the use of section 106 and CIL and maintain a log of already available, pipeline and possible future developer contributions. This is will be developed alongside the District Council's development of its approach to CIL.	All
1. How can the A140 constraints/required improvements can be clearly identified from SCC modelling?	Tom

# Future Priorities - External Funding and ETC targeted work

- Improvements to the town hall
- Other Town Council Funding needs
- Influence decisions taken by other agencies e.g. Paddock House
- Support Local Groups e.g. The Bank and Eye Saints



# Funding Map

1. At the meeting referred to above it was agreed that the draft S106 agreement for the major residential development would be looked at to see if it was capable of some amendment at this stage. I would be grateful for a response on this issue to confirm if any changes are possible and if so how they can be agreed.
2. I would also be grateful for a breakdown of S106 funding that is currently available for Eye to apply for. I have probably misunderstood - if so please correct me - but based on my discussion with Gillian today this needs to be broken down into funding available to be spent only in Eye, funding that is allocated to a wider area around Eye and funding available to the District as a whole. I also understand this will be further broken down by type such as energy related from the windfarm, village hall, outdoor sports etc.
3. A further request is for the amount of CIL funding that is available to the Town Council. I understand that is 15% of total collected for the Town. Also this would be 25% if the Town had a Neighbourhood Plan. Given the District Council decided eventually not to permit a Neighbourhood Plan for Eye is there any potential to increase the proportion above 15%?

Finally I would be grateful for advice regarding funding for the following potential projects to be included in the funding plan whether from development funding or any other sources:

- a. Refurbishment of the town hall including the roof, kitchen and toilets.
- b. Repairs to the wall of the Church Grave Yard.
- c. Improvements to the Pocket Park Play area at Oak Crescent.
- d. Improvement to the football pitches at the Community centre.
- e. Equipment for the Eye Saints football club such as portable dugouts, goal posts, first aid kits.
- f. Revenue costs of Eye Saints such as referee fees and coaching courses.
- g. Funding for improvements to the Cemetary including landscaping to the Green Cemetary and sponsorship for the chapels.
- h. Funding for improvements to The Bank Cafe and Arts Centre building (its a CIC) and other capital costs such as a new computer.
- i. Funding to develop and implement new services to be delivered from The Bank including an arts based youth club.
- j. Brown tourism signage to the 490 bomber group
- k. A second hand van for Eye Works for You.