

### **AGENDA**

# THE THANET LOCAL BOARD

Tuesday, 25 January 2011 St Saviour's Church of England Junior School, Elm Grove, Westgate-on-Sea, Kent CT8 8LD

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Starting at 7.00 pm. Doors open at 6.30 pm Email: anne.charman@kent.gov.uk

1. Welcome to the meeting – Mr Bill Hayton, Chairman

- Apologies

- Declarations of Interests by Members in Items on the Agenda for this Meeting.
- 2. Notes of Local Board meeting held on 27 September 2010 and progress on any actions agreed
- 3. Kent Youth County Council/Thanet Youth Council

Kent Youth County Council and Thanet Youth Council members will provide an update on the recent work they have undertaken and the local issues in Thanet that matter to them.

## 4. John Fowler, Chief Officer, Kent Savers Credit Union

John Fowler will talk about the services offered by Kent Savers; a financial co-operative owned and controlled by its members and running on a non-for-profit basis. It provides services to the 1.6 million people in Kent, the largest coverage for any UK credit union. It aims to help its members feel in control of their money by providing an alternative to high interest loans or pay day loans and promotes saving with ethical, easy-saving options, including payroll deduction schemes. While Kent Savers' services broadly appeal across the whole community, an important part of its work is to provide financial support and help where it is needed most by offering a safer and cheaper alternative for people with a poor credit history to borrow money.

# 5. Nigel Turley, Funding Buddies Co-ordinator

Funding Buddies is a three year project to assist Community and Voluntary groups in identifying appropriate sources of funding. Nigel Turley will describe the work of a Funding Buddy, which is to offer help and guidance to local organisations in applying for funding as well as providing help with the bid writing process. The project operates through the whole of Kent and Medway, in both rural and urban areas and is available to any group in the

county. There is no cost to the groups who receive support as this project is fully funded by the Big Lottery Fund.

# 6. Celebration of grants awarded in 2009/10

Two groups who received funding from the Thanet Local Board in 2009/10 will give a demonstration of the work they have undertaken and the difference these awards have made to the local community.

- A short performance from John Godber's 'Shakers', performed by young people. This is a project which is part of a two year programme, working with young people from the Czech, Roma, Polish and indigenous communities in Cliftonville.
- Nicola Wood, Senior Extended School Co-ordinator will talk about Thanet's Quartet in the Community and some of the wider community projects the Board has supported.

# 7. Grant recommendation – Small Community Capital Projects and Local Schemes Grant 2010/11

Recommendations of the board to be announced.

### 8. Second Homes 2005/06

At the January 2010 Thanet Local Board meeting the Board requested all the 2005/06 Second Homes projects to be completed within a year. Michael Bates, Thanet District Council's Highways Inspector, will provide an update.

- 9. Opportunity to ask questions about local public services
- 10. Any Other Business notified to the Chairman prior to the meeting.

**County Councillors for Electoral Divisions within the Thanet District:** 

Bill Hayton (Chairman)
Robert Burgess
Robert Bayford
Elizabeth Green
Michael Jarvis
Charles Hibberd
John Kirby
Chris Wells

- Broadstairs & Sir M M'fiore
- Margate West
- Broadstairs & Sir M M'fiore
- Ramsgate
- Margate & Cliftonville
- Birchington and Villages
- Ramsgate
- Margate & Cliftonville