



MAKING THE MOST OF PARTNERSHIP WORKING PARTNERSHIP HEALTH CHECK SELF ASSESSMENT TOOLKIT

Complete this Toolkit as part of your Partnership Annual Review to assess how well your partnership is working to its Partnership Agreement and produce corrective actions for your revised Partnership Action Plan.

I. PARTNERSHIP DETAILS

PARTNERSHIP NAME:

REVIEW PERIOD (01/01/2014 to 31/12/14)

BEVERLEY RENAISSANCE PARTNERSHIP

Is the Partnership a contractual condition of current external funding source? **NO**. If YES, please explain:

What resources were available to the Partnership during the review period?

Dedicated partnership budget (£): 0

Number of dedicated staff: 0.6

Other (e.g. in kind):

Number of organisations represented on Partnership Board:

Split of representation on Board: 41 active participants

Business: 9

Community: 16

Individuals: 4

Public Sector 12

Others: please specify

Lead Partner: East Riding Of Yorkshire Council

Name of Nominated Local Authority Representative:

Austin Lilloco, Renaissance Coordinator. (Monday to Wednesday)

2. HOW HEALTHY AND EFFECTIVE IS YOUR PARTNERSHIP?

	QUESTIONS	Score 0-3 0= Never 1 = Sometimes 2 = Often 3 = Always	Evidence Give examples to support your score	Agreed Action
2.1	Partners seek to improve how the partnership performs.	3	Action Plan updates are presented at every Management Committee meeting.	Partnership review to be circulated to members for comment and agreement.
2.2	Partners' vision of what they want to achieve contributes to the economic and regeneration process.	3	The partnership is tackling the key priorities identified within its Action Plan. It also contributes to, supports and advises on emerging issues such as the Local Plan, Economic Development projects, the Visitor economy (festivals, events, Streetscene) etc.	Updates will be given around the new European Funding streams for 2014-20, especially Community Led Local Delivery.
2.3	Partners are willing to change what they do and how they do it.	3	The Partnership underwent a change of structure in 2010, and the Business Group added Visitor Economy issues in 2012. A series of smaller sub-groups may now be required in 2015 to tackle individual projects.	Need a link to the Flemingate Destination Marketing Group in 2015
2.4	Common interest supersedes partner interest.	3	All members of the partnership fully understand that the views of the Partnership are those unanimously agreed at meetings and directly respond to the Action Plan.	Review membership of the Management Committee again in 2015 to ensure representative organisations are appropriate.
2.5	Partners implement decisions effectively.	3	All decisions made are done so democratically in line with the terms set out in the Partnership Agreement and are formally recorded in the minutes.	Remain focussed on delivery in 2015.
2.6	Partners identify, manage and monitor risk as part of their decision-making and record it.	2	Process is managed in accordance with the Partnership Agreement (as above) however there is a requirement to develop a more formal process for generating appropriate activity	Project Initiation Documents to be used.
2.7	Partners reflect the views of the organisations they represent.	3	Representation is relatively clear, but as opinions have differed on a number of issues in 2014 there may be a need to monitor.	Clarify representation responsibilities in 2015 and run up to elections.

2.8	Partners share responsibilities, rewards and information.	3	Decisions and actions taken are recorded, and minutes are available to the public.	Continue to strengthen communication and participation with all interested groups in 2015.
2.9	Accountable body reports regularly on the partnership's financial position.	n/a	n/a	n/a

2.10	Partners can demonstrate real results through collaboration. Consider <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Additional benefits - Efficiency savings - Influencing partner organisation policy and/ or practice, Regional or National Policy makers or non-partner organisations. 	2	4 x High Street Fund successful bids Street Audits Georgian Festival Planning issues Grovehill Industrial Estates Investment Plan Flemingate DMO	
2.11	Partners are mutually accountable for tasks and outcomes.	3	Decisions and actions taken are recorded and minutes are available to the public.	Effective outputs and outcomes are measured and examined via Action Plans and annual reviews.
2.12	Partners review and challenge the continued need for collaborative working.	3	The Partnership has evolved in 2014, and continues to develop its role with ERYC, Town Council, Georgian Quarter and other organisations	Annual Partnership review in place 2014.
2.13	Partners ensure broad and representative cross-section of key stakeholders are represented on partnership.	2	Investment and development is now more prevalent across the South of town, and European Funding streams are orientated towards social inclusion, so more work is required in the area.	This element needs more work in 2015 to include other local groups and representatives.
2.14	Partners work democratically and ensure decisions are open to scrutiny, through public meetings, consultation documents etc	3	Compliant with the partnership agreement	Minutes available publically via website
2.15	Partners strive to engage and address the needs of disadvantaged neighbourhoods and groups.	2	Impact of Planning considerations, new funding streams around employment and skills etc	Further work required in 2015.

2. HOW HEALTHY AND EFFECTIVE IS YOUR PARTNERSHIP?

Measures how the partnership involves key organisations, community and voluntary sectors.

	QUESTIONS	Score 0-3 0= Never 1 = Sometimes 2 = Often 3 = Always	Evidence Give examples to support your score	Agreed Action
2.16	Partners strive to develop and maintain trust.	3	Opinions have differed on issues in 2014, but discussions are open and frank, and arguments are logical.	Improved partnership work needed with some ERYC Service areas in 2015. The group strive to remain independent in the face of increased political atmosphere pre-2015 election.
2.17	Partners have a joined up approach to communication and follow the Partnership's Communication Strategy that enables the Partnership to deliver clear and consistent messages.	2	Compliant with the partnership agreement	Review of the Communication Strategy needed.
2.18	Partners strive to develop and fully engage all members.	2	There were frequent opportunities to bring forward issues via agendas and meetings in 2014. This gave the group flexibility in terms of addressing emerging initiatives and projects.	Increased awareness raising of all partnership activity should be encouraged as well as fluidity of group membership i.e. partners are welcome to participate in more than one sub- group
2.19	Partners find out why members leave or fail to engage in the partnership and take the necessary steps to address issues that arise.	3	Membership is constantly monitored and reviewed to minimise loss. Two resignations this year, but due to relocation to North Yorkshire.	Recruitment drive, needed in 2015, possibly using Single Business group project as a delivery vehicle.

Additional comments arising from statements

2.15 The partnership felt that stronger connections should be made with community group representatives – as it was felt that this sector was under represented. Closer work with Community Partnership team could also be considered. All future plans are subject to the results and recommendations from the Renaissance Partnership review, due post-election 2015.

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	Score 0-3 0= Not at all 1 = Partly 2= Nearly 3 = Exactly	EVIDENCE Give examples to support your score include evidence of additional benefits or efficiency savings achieved by partners.
2.20 Projects/ activities delivered and their aims (Small cross section of projects chosen from throughout 2014 to illustrate group work).		Activities that have been actively initiated since last review - Footfall counts/ town centre health checks etc
1. Beverley Town Plan	3	The Town plan is was completed in 2010 and has been published to the Renaissance Partnership website http://www.beverleyrenaissance.co.uk Woodmansey and Molescroft parish councils and Beverley Town Council have endorsed it. A refresh of the Plan and Section 9 was undertaken in and published in 2014.
2. Footfall Counts	3	2014 counts were undertaken in August and September, and a set of robust baseline figures created. Further counts might be considered, possibly on a quarterly basis as long as resource is available. These will provide a more comprehensive picture of footfall, especially in relation to the development of the Flemingate and possibly Grovehill sites.

3. Street survey	2	Street audits were undertaken earlier in the year and reviewed more recently – as a result Streetscene services have adopted recording systems piloted by Renaissance Market Town Team. The resulting activity schedules will be owned, updated and monitored by the partnership coordinator who will continue to work in close collaboration with Streetscene services. More work required for 2015. Joint visits with Beverley Town Council.
4. Walkers are Welcome	3	Excellent leadership of the volunteer group around the Beverley programme supporting Walking the Wolds week by Carli Black, and good support via Colin Bradshaw, Councillor David Elvidge and others.
5. Mary Portas Pilot / Georgian Quarter	3	Funding received and fully committed. Launch and other projects complete. GQ now has further plans for monthly specialist markets and have secured a High Street Fund allocation of £10K for 2015.
6. Beverley Georgian Festival	3	Nine days of events, run by a variety of partner organisations. Volunteer and professional input at +£40K. Nominated for 2 awards in 2015. Heritage Lottery Fund
PARTNERSHIP HEALTH CHECK FINAL SCORE	65/72	

4. Action Plan arising from Partnership Health Check

Template for transferring actions identified in Self Assessment Toolkit

PARTNERSHIP: Beverley Renaissance Partnership	DATE: January 2014
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NO.	AGREED ACTION	RESPONSIBILITY	PRIORITY	TARGET	RECOURCES	START	END	CURRENT SITUATION
2.1	Market town comparison – including Portas Town Teams	Coordinator	Low	Consider visits to other Town Teams or York / Lincoln to see best practice around historic towns	Internet Partners	Feb 2014	Aug 2014	Ongoing
2.2 / 2.6	Project Eligibility Assessment	Partnership	High	Use formal ERYC process for raising and gaining partnership endorsement for new activities	Partnership	Jan 2014	Ongoing	
2.3	Further thought required around the Visitor Economy / Events and Festivals coordination	ERYC / Partnership	High	Destination Marketing Organisation launch via Wykeland and Flemingate	Coordinator	Mar 2014?	AGM Nov 2014	Awaiting progression.
2.15	Better understanding of Community Led Local Development	ERYC	High	Attend Community Led Local Development workshops / info sessions	Coordinator and partnership	Feb 2014	2014- 2020	Ongoing
2.18	Wider engagement within community groups	ERYC	Med	Increase profile of the Partnership, and target areas of deprivation.	Coordinator and partnership	Mar 2014	AGM Nov 2014	Needs to be progressed

<p>NAME: <u>John Bird (Partnership Chairman)</u> (Nominated Partnership Representative)</p>	<p>SIGNATURE: _____</p>
<p>NAME: <u>Austin Lillico</u> (Nominated Council Officer)</p>	<p>SIGNATURE: _____</p>
<p>DATE: _____ Partnership Health Check completed</p>	<p>DATE: _____ Partnership Health Check endorsed by Partners</p>

5. Partnership Health Check: Partners contribution to LSP's Performance Framework - Council Use Only

Local Authority Representatives: **No of Councillors:** **Annual time commitment:** **No. of Officers:** **Annual time commitment:**

Council Resource annual input: **Money £** **Staff:** **Other (in kind):**

What role does the Council play, ie Lead: Member: **Other?** **Please state:**

How is the Partnership contributing to the Local LSPs Performance Framework?

Indicators (to be confirmed)	Please explain how the Partnership contributes or complies:	
	Project name	progress made to date
Local Problem Solving NI004: % of people who feel they can influence decisions in their locality.		
Revitalising Our Communities LAA LOC 02: Increase in GVA (% of national rate).		
CHI22: Investing in the Future - Value of external funding attracted into East Riding.		

6. Partnership Health Check: Risk Assessment - Council use only

	Assesses the implications of the Council providing continued support / involvement in Partnership.	Very High	High	Medium	Limited	Negligible
6.1	Degree of need/opportunity in the area, based on IMD 2007 & East Riding ED Strategy/Humber SEA			√		
6.2	Scale of identified future investments/ forward strategy over next 5 years, as identified in Economic Development Programme (former geographical programme) Bev specific	√				
6.3	Extent to which current or future funding requires a formal Partnership.		√			
6.4	Capacity of existing Partners to develop and manage Partnership without Council involvement.				√	
6.5	Likely impact on sustainable/ Community Plan targets if Partnership fails to continue.			√		

Please make a statement as determined by the Partnership Health Check, the Partners Contribution to the LSPs Performance Framework and results of

the Risk Assessment on whether the Council should continue their involvement in the Partnership and what level of support should they provide.

Statement	Please explain rationale for your conclusion.
<p>The current level of support provided to Beverley Renaissance Partnership is considered good, especially given the limited scope to develop projects and initiatives in the current financial climate.</p> <p>Measures are being taken to strengthen interdepartmental working and better align priorities of the Partnership with those highlighted in the Community Plan.</p>	<p>Based on the success of recent activities and future aspirations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Community street audit - Elwell/ Town Guild and Turner Trails - Welcome to Walkers Accreditation (in conjunction with Walking to Health) - Improvement of Town Approaches and better sense of destination arrival

NAME: Austin Lillico

(Nominated Executive Council Officer)

SIGNATURE: _____

Date: _____