



Minutes of the Landport Neighbourhood Board held on Friday 14th August 2026	
Time:	3:00pm – 5:00pm
Location:	St Faith's, Crasswell Street
Chair:	Rev Bob White (BW)
Minute taker:	Jo Horner (JH)
Board Members Present:	Courtnee Warrican (CW) John Ryder (JR) Sophie King (SK) Stephen Morgan – MP, Portsmouth South (SM)
Apologies:	Cal Corkery – Councillor, Charles Dickens (CC) Daniel O'Brien (DO)
In attendance:	Representatives from: • Crying Out Loud • Enableability
Quorum:	It was agreed that the meeting met quorum

1.08.26 Welcome

BW welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2.08.26 Apologies

Apologies were received from CC and DO.

3.08.26 Conflict of Interests declaration

BW (Fratton Together, Landport Community Centre) declared an interest in relation to the funding bids to be discussed under item 8 on the agenda.

4.08.26 Quorum

It was agreed that the meeting met quorum.

5.08.26 Minutes from the last meeting

The minutes of the last meeting were agreed by the Board and signed by BW.

6.08.26 Matters arising

JH gave a run through of the current list of outstanding matters and noted:

6.07.26.1 We will arrange for a member of PCC to attend the October Neighbourhood Board meeting in the near future to explain the role of the Accountable Body and funding structure.

6.07.26.2 The high level plan is not due until the winter.

10.07.26.1 & 11.07.26 The successful bids from the last meeting are being processed and we have asked for the details of their events.

10.07.26.4 A funding application form and process have been drafted for comment.

12.07.26.1/2/3/5 The meeting plan is a work in progress and will hopefully be confirmed soon. HC will be invited to the September meeting to facilitate a mapping exercise. PCC will be invited to the October meeting to explain the role of the accountable body.

13.07.26 The WhatsApp group has been set up and people can join.

Other actions were either closed, in progress or on hold.

BW noted that Fratton Together have started their workshops as part of Pride in Place (PiP) and have been incorporating the survey questions.

HomeStart have also started their engagement activities and it is hoped this will give a sense of whether there is a need for a family hub or similar in the Landport area or if residents are happy to travel to the hubs in Somerstown and Buckland.

BW recently met with the Salvation Army Commissioner and they are going to share the survey questions at their local drop-ins.

There was a short discussion about holding a larger engagement event potentially during half term either in a local park or open space to promote awareness of PiP. BW will talk to the Located in Landport group in September about the idea.

There was a discussion about the planned mapping exercise that HC is going to facilitate at the September meeting of the NB. It was confirmed that the aim is to bring together information that has been collected as part of other projects to build a broad picture and avoid duplication. It was noted that health and education information needs to be included.

It was noted that post 16 education and skills is a topic that needs to be considered and included in relation to Landport in the short and longer term. BW highlighted that he has had a positive conversation with St Edmunds who are keen to be involved.

BW added that some topics may be better discussed in smaller groups that feed information into the NB and that this could be a consideration in the future.

It was noted that there are various spaces in Landport that are up for sale or vacant that PiP might want to consider depending on the nature of the long term plan that will emerge from community engagement.

7.08.26 Finance report

It was noted that on this occasion, there was no finance update as a) nothing changed from the verbal last time and b) annual leave and other commitments. From September there will be a cycle of financial reporting.

SM highlighted that while NB makes decisions about funding, PCC have to sign off spending in their role as the Accountable Body.

It was noted that this had raised concerns among the Paulsgrove PiP NB and after discussion with MHCLG and PCC had added the following to clarify the relationship between the NB and the Accountable Body into the ToR:

The Board may make recommendations or requests to the Council, or other relevant decision making bodies, about service delivery issues which are the responsibility of the council or other body. However, the decision will remain with the relevant decision making body which will have to have regard to statutory responsibilities.

This was also included in the ToR for this NB. PCC are to be invited to the October NB meeting to clarify the role of the Accountable Body and funding decisions.

JH will email NB the wording that was added as above.

Actions:

1. JH to email NB the words from the ToR around the role of the Accountable Body (PCC) and funding decisions

8.08.26 Review of funding bids for activity over the summer including:

At the July meeting of the NB proposals were submitted by local organisations working in Landport to identify some community engagement projects they could lead on our behalf over the summer where the survey questions could be incorporated in some format to gather feedback.

At the meeting 6 proposals were discussed and of these two were invited to attend the meeting today to discuss their proposals. In addition, two further proposals were received.

Key questions in the discussions were:

- ❖ Whether the proposal was for Landport and Fratton West
- ❖ Who the target audience were to ensure different groups and communities are covered
- ❖ How the proposal promoted PiP and incorporated an element of data collection with reference to the PiP questions. .

The proposals were discussed and decisions were as follows:

- Enableability – a representative presented an interesting proposal to develop community engagement through a range of activities delivered in the Landport Community Centre with a particular focus on vulnerable residents. The activities would incorporate the questions, promote PiP, and support the development of Landport Community Centre.
There was a consensus that Landport Community Centre is important and that PiP should support it and help develop a long term plan for the space. A Community Connector for Landport PiP is due to be appointed in the near future who will lead community engagement for the project.
It was agreed that the Community Connector will be asked to meet with the Enableability manager to look at how PiP can support the development of activities and help make a long term plan to support the growth of the Landport Community Centre.
- Crying Out Loud – two representatives gave an enthusiastic and interesting presentation on their proposal that combines live music and football skills to engage with people of all ages. They emphasised that their approach is intergenerational and unlike anything else.
The board felt this was an interesting artistic proposal and it was noted that other artistic events have attracted attention in the Fratton West area. There were concerns about how the proposal fitted in with PiP at this stage.
It was agreed that whilst the proposal was not suitable for this stage of the PiP project, the NB would be interested in the potential of working with Crying Out Loud in future.
- Playland – This was a new proposal centred around two projects which NB found interesting but questioned whether the proposal represented value for money.
It was agreed to invite Playland to the next meeting to discuss their proposal further.
- Fratton Together – their proposal included events and workshops including in local schools and other venues, leading up to the Lantern Parade in November. The main focus would be families with children of primary school age.
BW abstained from the vote.
£3900 agreed towards the cost of workshops in the Landport and Fratton West area.

BW noted that the Lantern Parade will be part of We Shine and that there would be an art installation at St Mary's Church which is in the Landport PiP area. The Lantern Parade and art installation are likely to attract a lot of interest and make Landport and Fratton West more of a focus in the We Shine festival.

SM asked whether it would be possible to ask whether PCC are able to support with help towards the costs towards traffic management for the event. BW agreed to ask if this would be possible.

Actions:

1. JH to email organisations with outcomes of their proposals
2. JH to invite Playland to the next meeting
3. JH to liaise with KN to organise payment of funding agreed
4. BW to ask PCC whether they can help with the cost of traffic management for the Lantern Parade

9.08.26 Comms Plan

CW outlined a proposal to design a website for PiP which would cost £249.16 + VAT per year.

It was agreed that this was a competitive quote and CW was asked to plan a meeting with the website developer to discuss how this might work.

There was a short discussion about what the website content might look like and whether it would be for Landport PiP or whether it would be for Landport and Paulsgrove with a page each. It was agreed that JH will ask the Paulsgrove NB for their thoughts.

It was agreed that the working title would be *Loving Landport: Pride in Place*.

It was noted that documents such as the ToR and NB meeting papers must be posted on the PiP website to ensure we comply with the project regulations. At present the documents are posted on a PiP page on PCC's website.

Actions:

1. CW to proceed with plans for website as per quote and arrange meeting
2. JH to ask Paulsgrove NB for their thoughts on a website

10.08.26 AOB

10.1 Funding Proposals

It was agreed that when groups are invited to talk about the proposals they should be asked to be prepared to talk for around 1 minutes focusing on how their activity will gather data in relation to the survey questions within the Landport PiP area and to identify which group(s) their activity is likely to engage.

10.2 Meeting times

HC and SM are available on the afternoon of Friday 18th September so it was agreed that this would be the date of the next meeting and that there are two options for October which will be circulated.

Actions:

1. JH to invite HC to September meeting
2. JH to circulate two October dates to establish members availability

Date of next meeting: Friday 18th September 2:00-3:30pm