



## Coventry & Warwickshire Infrastructure Consortium

### Meeting Report Format

Name of Meeting: Public Services Advisory Forum  
Date: 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2008  
Attended by: Julia Phillips  
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Significant agenda items and discussions (Summarised by bullet points):

- An overview of the current economic climate (Dave Hill, WCC)
- The economy in Coventry and Warwickshire (Louise Bennett, WCC)
- Employment and Skills in Warwickshire (Jane Beaver, Jobcentre)
- Issues around poverty (David Gooding, CAB)
- Warwickshire LAA indicators and potential impact of current economic issues.

Implications for CWIC (Summarised by bullet points):

- Pressure on VCS organisations in terms of reduced funding and increased pressure to handle demand for more services/people.

Implications for VCS (Summarised by bullet points):

- CWIC and its members need to be aware of the establishment of the Coventry and Warwickshire Economic Recovery Partnership, and ensure that the VCS has a voice on the partnership.
- The Economy Group noted the lack of a formalised relationship from LSP to LAA, which was recognised as a weakness.

Requests for additional info, responses etc.:

- WRCC and Stratford CVS/VC invited to meet with Roy Shearing (WCC) to discuss outcomes from Parish Plans and Rural Outreach projects.

Points for next meeting:

- Focus on Sustainable Community Strategy

Date of Meeting: 13<sup>th</sup> January 2009, 2pm-5pm, venue tba)

Deadline for feedback: n/a

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