

Vision 21: It's a new perspective working together to improve our area

Who are we?

Vision 21 Partnership is a group of local and national organisations committed to working together to improve the wellbeing of the Malvern Hills District.

We are public sector organisations, private businesses, health and learning providers as well as community, voluntary and environmental groups working together to improve the quality of life in our area.

In 2002, consultation with you informed us of what your priorities for the area were. We used what you told us to produce the Community Strategy, the document that sets out for all partners what we need to collectively achieve.

What are we working on?

Vision 21 Partnership set up five theme groups to work on the areas that are important to you. These are:

- **Jobs, Housing & Transport**
- **Health & Community Wellbeing**
- **Community Safety**
- **Lifelong Learning**
- **Environment, Towns & Villages**

The **Jobs, Housing & Transport** theme group will carry out a survey of local employers in the Malvern Hills area in order to define who key workers within the district are and how they can be supported.

The **Health & Wellbeing** theme group have organised a range of events to promote and take forward strategies encouraging Physical Activity, Healthy Eating and Access for All.

The **Community Safety** theme group are working on Providing Reassurance and Addressing the Fear of Crime, and reducing crime through Neighbourhood Watch & Police Networking.

The **Lifelong Learning** theme group are working on their Visibility Project to develop a Lifelong Learning resource web portal which will list all lifelong learning opportunities in the area and will direct the viewer to further sources of information.

The **Environment, Town and Villages** theme group are progressing through their objectives towards raising Community Awareness of environmental concerns and reducing waste in the district.

Review of the Community Strategy

Vision 21 will review the Community Strategy in 2006. The purpose of this is to find out if what you told us in 2002 is still accurate of your needs today. If they are different, we need to know so that we can continue to focus our work on areas that matter to you.

The Community Strategy should articulate what **your** aspirations, needs and priorities are, so don't miss the opportunity to tell us what you would like to see partners work collectively on.

The Chair of Vision 21 Partnership board, Cllr Sue Adeney, says that: "The Community Strategy is about articulating your aspirations, needs and priorities and working towards fulfilling them together. Don't miss your opportunity to tell us if we are still on the right track."