



### ***VCS Representation Feedback***

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**I attended** .....Worcestershire Partnership Board.... **Date** .....21<sup>st</sup> July 2010

**1. Items of interest to the VCS were:**

- 1. Community Cohesion Strategy**
- 2. LAA Reward money allocation**
- 3. Worcs Economic Strategy priorities**
- 4. Worcs Partnership structure**
- 5. Rural Poverty**

**2. Issues I raised on behalf of the VCS were:**

1. How does the Partnership help residents "have a sense of belonging to their neighbourhoods"? (Community Cohesion)
2. The Partnership is not clear about its function and purpose over the next 3 – 5 years. When we are clear, then the structure should be designed to suit the purpose. The proposed structure is too heavy for current activities. (WP structure)
3. Rural affordable housing; child poverty; access to information about benefits, etc. (Rural poverty)

All were discussed in groupwork sessions.

**3. Report to be submitted for 'The Voice' Newsletter Article – please circle?**

Yes if appropriate. Please consult Sally and Richard.

**4. Please Comment on any problems or difficulties**

Group discussion was positive. But the topics to be discussed were significant, and we did not have enough time for each.

**Signed** .....John Paxton **Date** .....22<sup>nd</sup> July 2010.

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