

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

REPORT 78/13

14 OCTOBER 2013

The purpose of this report is to provide Members with the latest information about this Department for Communities and Local Government (DCLG) programme as a basis for considering participation in it.

No. DETAIL

I) BACKGROUND

- a) The DCLG's programme now branded as *Our Place!* Started life as 12 pilots for an initiative named *Neighbourhood Community Budgets*.
- b) A report on the pilots was published on 13 July 2013. Their common feature is that of bringing together local government, service providers, voluntary sector organisations and business to achieve outcomes such as helping young people into work, reducing anti-social behaviour and improving quality of life for people with long term health conditions.
- c) The *One Ilfracombe* project, led by the Town Council, has brought together resources from Devon County Council, Health Services, Police, Social Housing and the Private and Voluntary sectors to improve the health, economy and living environment of local people.

2) ONE PLACE!

- a) The DCLG is now committed to recruiting another 100 plus communities as the next stage of the project and had invited expressions of interest in July. Ventnor Town Council's interest was registered soon afterwards.
- b) As a consequence an invitation arrived to attend one of the Seminars they had arranged in Birmingham and Leeds for interested parties.
- c) The Mayor and I booked in to the Birmingham event from 10.30-12.30 on Friday 11 October with a programme that includes an overview of *Our Place!*, input from three of the pilot areas and information about Programme Support for participating areas.
- d) Verbal feedback from that event will be given at Agenda item 6 of the Town Council Meeting the following Monday.