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## BETTER PLACES PARTNERSHIP BOARD

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TUESDAY 31<sup>ST</sup> JANUARY 2012 at 18:30 HRS – CIVIC CENTRE, HIGH ROAD, WOOD GREEN, N22 8LE

**MEMBERS:** Please see membership list below

### AGENDA

**1. APOLOGIES**

To receive any apologies for absence.

**2. MINUTES (PAGES 1 - 6)**

To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 11 October 2011 as a correct record.

**3. URGENT BUSINESS**

To consider the admission of any items of Urgent Business. (Late items of Urgent Business will be considered under the agenda item where they appear. New items of Urgent Business will be considered under Item 7 below).

**4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Members of the Board must declare any personal and/or prejudicial interests with respect to agenda items and must not take part in any decision made with respect to those items.

**5. GREENEST BOROUGH STRATEGY PRESENTATION (PAGES 7 - 16)**

*Alex Gear, Principal Policy Officer*

**6. FUTURE PARTNERSHIP DISCUSSION**

**7. NEW ITEMS OF URGENT BUSINESS**

To consider any new items of Urgent Business admitted under Item 2 above.

**8. ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

To raise any items of AOB.

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Haringey Council	3	<b>Cllr Nilgun Canver</b> , Cabinet Member for Neighbourhoods (Chair) <b>Cllr Strickland</b> , Cabinet Member for Economic Regeneration and Social Inclusion <b>Lyn Garner</b> , Director of Place and Sustainability <b>Dr Jeanelle de Gruchy</b> , Director of Public Health <b>Adam Parvez</b> , Environmental Resources Officer
Community Representatives	3	<b>Martin Burrows</b> <b>Quentin Given</b> <b>Sona Mahtani</b>
Ground Work	1	<b>Kenne Amissah</b>
HAVCO	1	<b>Pamela Pemberton</b>
Haringey Fire Service	1	<b>Richard Mills</b> , Borough Commander Haringey
Metropolitan Police	1	<b>Sonia Davies</b> , Chief Superintendent
Environment Agency	1	<b>Esther Vanlith</b> , External Relations Officer
Lee Valley Regional Authority	1	<b>David Anstey</b> , Director of Regeneration
Living Streets	1	<b>Sue Penny</b>
London Remade	1	<b>Ellen Struthers</b> , Project Manager
Registered Social Landlords	1	<b>Neil Mawson</b> , Director of Metropolitan Housing Trust
Haringey Primary Care Trust/Haringey Council	1	<b>Jeanelle De Gruchy</b> , Director of Public Health *
Transport for London	1	<b>Peter Livermore</b>
Thames Water	1	<b>Vacant</b>
Natural England	1	<b>Judith Hanna</b> , Community Liaison Executive
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>18</b>	

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**Present:** Councillor Nilgun Canver (Chair), Quentin Given, Dr Jeanelle de Gruchy, Judith Hanna, Peter Livermore, Mark Long, Sona Mahtani, Richard Mills, John Morris, Councillor Alan Strickland.

**In Attendance:** Xanthe Barker, Alex Gear, Joan Hancox, John Morris, Andy Newman, Pauline Syddell, Stuart Young.

MINUTE NO.	SUBJECT/DECISION	ACTON BY
<b>BPP01.</b>	<p><b>APOLOGIES</b></p> <p>Apologies for absence were received from the following:</p> <p>Sonia Davies                            - Mark Long substituted Lyn Garner Pamela Pemberton Ellen Struthers Esther Vanlith</p>	
<b>BPP02.</b>	<p><b>URGENT BUSINESS</b></p> <p>There were no items of Urgent Business.</p>	
<b>BPP03.</b>	<p><b>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</b></p> <p>There were no declarations of interest.</p>	
<b>BPP04.</b>	<p><b>MINUTES</b></p> <p><b>RESOLVED:</b></p> <p>That the minutes of the meeting held on 14 July 2011 be confirmed as a correct record.</p>	
<b>BPP05.</b>	<p><b>REVIEW OF PARTNERSHIP ARRANGEMENTS</b></p> <p>The Board received a report that provided an overview of the findings of the recent review of partnership arrangements in Haringey.</p> <p>The review had been considered necessary at this point due to a number of policy changes introduced by the coalition Government including the abolition of the Local Area Agreement (LAA) and the Area Based Grant (ABG). This coupled with the significant loss of capacity amongst all organisations to support the current partnership structure meant that it was no longer sustainable.</p> <p>The recommendations arising from the review were summarised and the Board was advised that a new ‘Core Group’ would be established to replace the HSP Standing Leadership Conference and the HSP Executive. The core group would include:</p> <p>➤ Council Cabinet Members</p>	

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- Senior Council Officers
- Health
- Police
- Job Centre Plus

This group had met for the first time on 7 October and it was envisaged that it would meet on a six weekly basis.

As statutory bodies the shadow Health and Wellbeing Board and the Community Safety Partnership would remain in place; however, it was intended that the other Theme Boards would be decommissioned by the end of the calendar year and that the current partnership structure would be dissolved.

In terms of the next steps outgoing Theme Boards were being asked to identify areas of work that would not be picked up elsewhere that would need to be taken forward. The review had recommended that any areas of work that required particular focus should be looked at via time limited Task and Finish groups.

The Chair noted that this did not mean that there would be less emphasis on partnership working; however, there was a need to work more efficiently to avoid duplication and to ensure that resources were used as effectively as possible.

The Board discussed the proposals put forward and there was agreement that meeting in the current format was no longer sustainable and that the most useful function of the Board had been the network it provided to share information and communicate with partners.

There was agreement that a 'Task and Finish' approach, i.e. identifying specific areas of work and bringing the relevant partners together to achieve specific outcomes, would make the most effective use of partners time.

It was suggested that a mechanism to link partnership working with regard to environmental issues and the Council's new Area Committees should be established as these were an important forum for gathering local views. It was noted that Area Plans were being compiled for each Area Committee and it was suggested that any Task and Finish groups established should reflect the priorities set out within these.

The Board discussed areas that might be picked up by Task and Finish groups and the following areas were suggested:

- Public Realm
- Sustainability
- Recycling
- Food
- Developing links with the Area Assemblies

There was agreement that an evaluation of the GBS was required to

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	<p>analyse what had been achieved, areas that were still relevant and any new priorities that should be included.</p> <p>It was suggested that a key area for partnership working was to form a culture shift in people's attitudes towards their environment and to help promote a greater sense of shared responsibility for looking after the local environment.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED:</b></p> <p>That the Greenest Borough Strategy should be reviewed as set out above and identify a reduced set out priority outcomes and proposals with regard to areas that Task and Finish groups might focus on.</p>	<p>Alex Gear</p> <p>Alex Gear</p>
<p><b>BPP06.</b></p>	<p><b>CLIMATE CHANGE ADAPTATION/ LOCAL CLIMATE IMPACTS PROFILE</b></p> <p>The Board was advised that the Local Climate Impact Profile (LCLIP) for Haringey had been prepared through support from London Council.</p> <p>This would inform a wider project that was aimed at obtaining a better understanding of weather related impacts and their associated costs on infrastructure and services across London.</p> <p>The LCLIP would also help Local Authorities prepare for the introduction of a new National Indicator that the Government had created to measure how well they responded to extreme weather conditions. It was noted that the Council would eventually compile a Climate Change Adoption Strategy.</p> <p>The Board discussed the document and it was suggested that Green Infrastructure Plans had an important role to play in managing the environment. Officers noted that the Council had a Surface Water Management Plan in place and that this incorporated the use of sustainable methods of construction.</p> <p>The Board was advised that the first stage of the process would be for the Council to undertake an in depth risk assessment.</p> <p>The Chair noted that if members of the Board had suggestions with regard to things that should be considered as part of this they should contact Alex Gear, Principal Policy Officer, <a href="mailto:alex.grear@haringey.gov.uk">alex.grear@haringey.gov.uk</a></p> <p><b>RESOLVED:</b></p> <p>That the update with respect to the LCLIP be noted.</p>	<p>All to note</p>
<p><b>BPP07.</b></p>	<p><b>TRANSPORT FORUM UPDATE</b></p> <p>The Board received a verbal update in relation to the Transport Forum (TF).</p> <p>At the last meeting of the TF there had been a presentation from Transport for London (TfL) on its new draft Transport Strategy. There</p>	

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	<p>had also been a discussion with regard to recent changes to the Taxi Card scheme and encouraging residents to cycle and walk more.</p> <p>Future topics for consideration included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ The Impact of the Olympics</li> <li>➤ 20 MPH Zones</li> <li>➤ Safer Transport Teams</li> </ul> <p>Members of the Board were reminded that the TF was a public meeting and that they were welcome to attend. It was noted that the next meeting was taking place on 28 November and this would look at the Carbon Commission's work.</p> <p>Anyone wishing to obtain more information should contact Joan Hancox, Head of Sustainable Transport: <a href="mailto:joan.hancox@haringey.gov.uk">joan.hancox@haringey.gov.uk</a> / 020 8489 1777.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED:</b></p> <p>That the verbal update be noted.</p>	
<p><b>BPP08.</b></p>	<p><b>HARINGEY PARKS UPDATE</b></p> <p>The Board received a verbal update with regard to Haringey Parks.</p> <p>It was noted that the reduced level of funding available meant that the Council was focussing on working with stakeholders to identify ways that they could assist in 'bridging the gap' created by the reduction in Council services.</p> <p>A meeting was being held with stakeholders, including Friends of Parks Groups, on 16 November, to review the Parks Action Plan. It was intended that this would initiate a process whereby greater stakeholder involvement would be developed.</p> <p>There was agreement that maintaining a small amount of funding for community based groups would be essential if it was intended that they should play a greater role in looking after community spaces.</p> <p>The Board was advised that the Police were encouraging Neighbourhood Watch to 'adopt a park'. Existing Neighbourhood Watch groups would be asked to be extra vigilant and to report any issues to the Neighbourhood Watch Link Manager.</p> <p>In response to a query the Board was advised that the Police were looking at ways of encouraging people to report to them any issues that they considered required Police attention. In the light of reductions to Police patrols this would become increasingly important.</p> <p>In response to a query it was noted that a pilot was being undertaken, in conjunction with the Probation Service, to use the Community Pay Back</p>	



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	<p>scheme to provide assistance to the Council around the maintenance of parks and open spaces. If successful it was intended that the initiative would be developed into a full work programme.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED:</b></p> <p>That the verbal update be noted.</p>	
<b>BPP09.</b>	<p><b>GREENEST BOROUGH STRATEGY UPDATE</b></p> <p>The Board received a tabled report that provided an update with respect to progress made in delivering the Greenest Borough Strategy.</p> <p>The full performance data for the second quarter was not available yet and a summary of performance during the first quarter was provided.</p> <p>It was noted that the Green Lanes Food Festival had taken place on 18 September and that this had attracted over 20,000 people. The Chair noted that this had provided a good opportunity for the community to come together particularly following the recent disturbances.</p> <p>Concern was expressed that the Council had not provided a stall at the festival to promote recycling and other green initiatives; whilst it was acknowledged that Veolia had attended it was suggested that it would have been useful if the Council had also taken the opportunity to promote the use of green waste bins.</p> <p>The Chair noted that the Council would be running a campaign to inform residents about the new recycling bins that were being deployed in the Autumn. It was noted that information would be printed on the bins advising people what they could be used for and that leaflets would be circulated listing collection dates.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED:</b></p> <p>That the report be noted.</p>	
<b>BPP10.</b>	<p><b>NEW ITEMS OF URGENT BUSINESS</b></p> <p>There were no new items of Urgent Business.</p>	
<b>BPP11.</b>	<p><b>DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS</b></p> <p>There was agreement that as the next scheduled meeting, which was due to be held on 24 November, should be moved back to mid December.</p> <p>The Board would meet to consider proposals with respect to future Task and Finish Groups before it disbanded at the end of the calendar year.</p>	All to note

The meeting closed at 8.45pm.

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<b>Report for:</b>	<b>Better Places Partnership</b>
<b>Title:</b>	<b>Greenest Borough Strategy review 2008-2012</b>
<b>Lead Officer:</b>	<b>Alex Grear Principal Policy Officer</b>
<b>Date:</b>	<b>24<sup>th</sup> January 2012</b>

## **1. Issue under consideration**

Following the changes to partnership arrangements in Haringey, a paper has been requested to review the Greenest Borough Strategy, and discuss the future for partnership working in relation to the environmental agenda.

### **1.1 The report**

The report will,

- review the key achievements that have occurred since the adoption of the Greenest Borough Strategy,
- highlight the key contextual changes that have occurred since its adoption,
- describe the planned changes to the partnership arrangements in Haringey,
- identify options for future task and finish groups.

### **1.2 Background**

Adopted in October 2008, the Greenest Borough Strategy provides a strategic commitment to achieve environmental sustainability throughout the borough. The strategy, adopted by the Haringey Strategic Partnership was constructed following extensive consultation in which residents, along with large organisations such as public agencies and service providers, were able to shape the key aims and objectives for Haringey.

#### ***Vision***

*"We will work together to tackle climate change and secure a clean, safe and environmentally sustainable future for everyone living, working, visiting or studying in Haringey."*

The strategy acknowledges that climate change is the single biggest threat to society, affecting both the quality of the place in which we live and our economic prosperity. It is therefore important that we commit to take action in order not only to mitigate the scale of the problem, but also to prepare and adapt for the inevitable changes that lie ahead.

## **2. Context**



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Since Haringey adopted the Greenest Borough Strategy, the contextual landscape has dramatically evolved. Public agencies and service providers in Haringey are facing increased pressure to deliver amidst an environment of cuts in resources. The council's role is changing, and the weakened economic climate has made the challenge to meet our identified aims and objectives much more challenging.

The current economic climate is also having significant impacts of families. Energy prices have increased and public transport is becoming unaffordable, with further rises later this year. This is putting the squeeze on the most vulnerable in our borough.

However, the commitments made in the Greenest Borough Strategy, and supporting pledges such as our 40:20 ambitions, still demonstrate a desire to meet our overall objectives.

## **2.1 National context 2008-12**

Along with the frontloaded budget cuts to local authorities, the new **coalition government** has introduced a series of reforms which have direct ramifications for local government and the environmental aspirations we hold in Haringey, highlights of which include:

- ❖ There is renewed effort to remove burdens across local government, and along with the currently ongoing '**Red Tape Challenge**', the government has scrapped the **National Indicators** dataset, and **Comprehensive Area Assessments**. Through the **Best Value review**, the 'Duty to Involve' and Sustainable Community Strategy have had their statutory status removed.
- ❖ A tough approach to the budgets of local finances has impacted on the resources we have available and has led to a reduction in the scope of programmes such as **Decent Homes**. This has now been revised to address external and internal essential health and safety works only.
- ❖ With fewer resources available, increased emphasis has been placed by the government on how the community can play a more significant role. The **Big Society** has been identified as a way to enhance capacity in the community. In turn, the government is encouraging local authorities to become more transparent, providing its community with the knowledge to play a greater role in their area.
- ❖ The **Localism act** was passed in 2011, with the intention of shifting power from central government back into the hands of individuals, communities and councils. It aims to give neighbourhoods much greater ability to shape the places in which they live through the planning system.

## **2.2 Key Environmental changes**

The government has introduced a series of reforms centered on the environment agenda which has also had a significant impact. Highlights of which include:

- ❖ The new Energy Act includes provision for a new "Green Deal" which will enables private firms to offer consumers energy efficiency improvements to their homes, community spaces and businesses, and recoup payments through a charge on the energy bill.
- ❖ The CRC Energy Efficiency Scheme (previously known as the Carbon Reduction Commitment) is a mandatory carbon emissions reporting and pricing scheme. The coalition government



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announced in October 2010 that the money raised from the sale of allowances will be retained by the Government rather than recycled back to scheme.

- ❖ The Feed-in Tariffs (FITs) scheme was introduced on 1 April 2010, under powers in the Energy Act 2008. However, in October 2011, the coalition Government confirmed it was to slash solar incentives by more than 50%.
- ❖ The Natural Environment White Paper (June 2011) outlined the Government's vision for the natural environment over the next 50 years. Key measures in the White Paper, include:
  - New Nature Improvement Areas (NIAs)
  - Biodiversity offsetting
  - New Local Nature Partnerships
  - Green Areas Designation
  - New environmental volunteering initiative "Muck in 4 Life"

### **3 Haringey's Greenest Borough Strategy 2008-2012**

The seven priorities which underpin Haringey's environmental approach capture the breadth of the challenge we face. They demonstrate a broad and complex area of work set against a national context of increased political, scientific, and public concern that urgent action must be taken to protect the environment and address global climate change at a local level.

#### **3.1 Key achievements**

In Haringey, we have been successful in a number of areas with regard to the environment. Detailed in appendix A, is the broad range of activities broken down into environmental themes. The outcome of which has meant,

- Carbon emissions have reduced
- Street cleanliness has improved
- Resident satisfaction in waste collections and street cleanliness has increased
- Household waste has reduced
- Recycling participation has increased
- Attendance at environmentally themed events increased
- Modal shift away from the car for children travelling to school
- Haringey Councils carbon emission have reduced
- More community growing spaces

#### **3.2 Programmes of work**

There are specific programmes of work that continue to be successful which include:

- **Haringey 40:20**

Haringey Council adopted an ambitious target in November 2009 to reduce carbon emissions in the borough 40% by 2020 as part of the Friends of the Earth 'Get Serious' campaign. A range of projects and initiatives have been implemented such as the Low Carbon Zone, any many more have been identified through the Local Carbon Frameworks programme. A 40:20 commission has been set up with leaders in the field to discuss potential options for the borough in meeting the ambitious target.



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- **Sustainable transport**

A range of initiatives have been implemented over the last three years, contributing to Haringey's transport ambitions. A successfully implemented Car Club in partnership with Zipcar now has over 4000 members, and more cycle and walking paths have been laid. Haringey Council were also awarded £25k funding from Transport for London (TfL) to develop a Biking Borough cycling strategy to identify measures to increase cycling participation. To further meet our transport targets, a Sustainable Transport Commission was created to advise the Council on future policy.

- **Haringey waste contract**

Haringey Council awarded a new contract for waste collection and street cleansing to Veolia ES (UK) Ltd. As part of the procurement process, the council undertook a consultation with residents on waste services in the borough, which received the biggest response to a consultation that Haringey has issued. Over 6,800 responses were provided with the new contract including a village approach to street sweeping, a two year strategy to tackle fly tipping, and increased emphasis on recycling.

- **Haringey Council- leading by example**

Haringey has successfully promoted the sustainability agenda throughout the organisation, adopting a Carbon Management Plan with the aim of reducing carbon emissions from its buildings, fleet and schools 40% by 2014/15. The introduction of the Sustainable Investment Fund and the Schools Sustainable Investment Fund is providing real cost and environmental benefits, and is complemented by the adoption of a sustainable procurement action plan, a staff travel plan and the introduction of SMART working.

- **Green Fairs and conference**

From the 1000 people who braved the rain in 2007 at Alexandra Palace Park, the Green Fair continued to grow and in 2010 over 10,000 people turned out in Ducketts Common to participate in a partnership event designed to raise awareness of green issues and promote the opportunities for greener living. The Going Green conference has also seen increased attendance and outcomes and provides an opportunity to review environmental successes and plan for the year ahead.

- **Green Flag Parks**

Sixteen parks and open spaces managed by Haringey Council are now declared as being among the best in the country with Green Flag status. Highgate Wood (managed by the Corporation of London), Alexandra Park (run by the Alexandra Palace Trust) and Tottenham Marshes (run by the Lee Valley Regional Park Authority) also have been awarded green flags- bringing the total parks in Haringey to 19.

### 3.3 Summary

Overall the, the Greenest borough Strategy is successfully being delivered. There is a strong approach around carbon, a focussed programme of work on sustainable travel, and our parks have significantly improved. The challenge will be to maintain these areas of work amidst resource cuts, and as identified in section 4, there are partnership arrangements in place exploring how this can be achieved.

One area of work that has suffered over the past year is the broad focus on raising awareness and involvement, and encouraging behaviour change. This is largely embedded into workstreams, but a collaborated approach, exploring the positive potential community empowerment and enablement can have on the environmental agenda is a gap.



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#### **4 Partnership**

Following the review of partnership working in the borough, the Haringey Strategic Partnership (HSP) and six existing theme boards have been effectively dissolved.

Under the new arrangements there will be three multi agency partnership bodies:

- Health and Wellbeing Board (in shadow form until 2013) – Chair: Cllr Dogus, Cabinet Member for Health and Adult Services
- Community Safety Board – Chair: Cllr Vanier, Cabinet Member for Communities
- Social Inclusion and Worklessness Group – Chair: Cllr Strickland, Cabinet Member for Economic Development and Social Inclusion

Two of these are (or will be once the relevant legislation has been passed) statutory:

- the Health and Wellbeing Board
- and the Community Safety Board.

In addition the following partnership groups will continue:

- The Local Safeguarding Children Board (LSCB) - a statutory multi agency body with the remit to ensure that local work to safeguard and promote the welfare of children is well co-ordinated and effective. Regulations require it to be independently chaired and to stand outside other partnership structures.
- The Safeguarding Adults Board (SAB) – this is similar to the LSCB with responsibility for adults and is to become statutory once the Health and Social Care Bill becomes law.

Outgoing Theme Boards such as the Better Places Partnership (BPP) have been asked to identify key actions and areas of work within their remit which may not be addressed in the new arrangements. These are to be picked up by task and finish groups, already established networks and relationships, or as part of core business. The intention is that with smaller public services, we need more focused, tighter, and efficient partnerships.

Much of the Greenest Borough Strategy has been delivered in partnership. Although adopted by the HSP much of the successful partnership work as occurred outside of the HSP and BPP framework.

##### **4.1 Mapping exercise**

A mapping analysis of where environmental issues are/will be managed is outlined in the table below. It demonstrates that there are currently successful partnership bodies in place to manage key areas of work

Issue	Proposed future responsibility
<b>Better Places Partnership Board- Strategic lead for the environment and sustainability issues</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Street cleanliness, waste and recycling, environmental crime, enforcement <b>(Priority 1 and 3 of the GBS)</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Place and Sustainability Directorate, Haringey Council/ Veolia</li> <li>• Area Committees</li> </ul>



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Issue	Proposed future responsibility
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Parks and open spaces <b>(Priority 2 of the GBS)</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Friends of parks groups</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Carbon management (reducing energy use, projects and engagement) <b>(Priority 3 and 5 of the GBS)</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ 40:20 Partnership and commission</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Sustainable food <b>(Priority 3 of the GBS)</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Sustainable food steering group</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Council Leading by example <b>(Priority 4 of the GBS)</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Leading by example project board (Haringey Council)</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Sustainable travel (biking borough, reducing road transport) <b>(Priority 6 of the GBS)</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Haringey Transport Forum</li> </ul>

#### 4.2 Potential partnership focus

As the table demonstrates, the Greenest Borough Strategy is being managed in a range of specifically focussed groups. However there are areas that could potentially benefit from a specifically focused task and finish group being established to focus on specifically identified issue. Following an analysis of the Greenest Borough Strategy, suggested issues are:

- **Community empowerment/behaviour change**

Priority seven of the Greenest borough Strategy focuses on Raising awareness and involvement. Since the strategy was adopted the council has led on campaigns, events and roadshows focused on empowering communities to play their part and lead sustainable lifestyles.

With fewer resources these approaches are difficult to resource and therefore, further focus needs to go on innovative new ways to engage and empower the community to get involved, building social capital in specific communities.

- **Waste and recycling**

With the new contract with Veolia being agreed, further focus and collaboration is required to increase levels of recycling and reducing waste. The scope can provide an opportunity to develop partnership working with voluntary groups and community organisations. By bringing together individuals and organisation who are involved in waste and recycling, the group can promote effective waste management and recycling throughout the borough.

#### 5 Key points for discussion

- The approach to partnership working around the environmental agenda.
- Key principles for future partnership arrangements being that they are targeted, resourced and commitment is provided from both partners and the council (there will be no central resource to manage any proposed partnership arrangements)
- The progress made in delivering the Greenest Borough Strategy
- The area of focus for future task and finish groups

#### Appendix A

##### **The Urban Environment**

- Haringey Council has adopted a new waste contract with Veolia, managing our street





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cleanliness and waste collection.

- Haringey Council, in partnership with the Policy have taken a strong targeted approach on street litter, smoking litter, dog fouling and dumping leading to improved the cleanliness of the borough.
- Haringey named the best performing outer London borough for tackling litter in a capital standards survey on cleanliness, and the Environment Agency named Haringey the highest achieving London authority for tackling fly tipping through enforcement.
- Haringey Council collected the MJ Local Government Achievement Awards in the category of Public Protection of the Year.
- Haringey staged a successful multi agency conference in November 2011 on the subject of HMOs.
- Haringey Council, in partnership with other public bodies, organised a programme of clean sweep activities across the borough, and took part in the Capital Clean Up campaign.
- The Responsible Dog Ownership scheme was launched in partnership with the national Keep Britain Tidy Campaign.

#### **The Natural Environment**

- Haringey now has 19 Green Flag parks.
- Haringey adopt a new Biodiversity Action Plan.
- Management plans produced for sites of importance for nature conservation
- Habitat action plans were adopted for allotments, gardens, parks and green spaces, woodland, standing water and built structures
- £420k secured by Groundwork for Paignton, Russell and Fairlands Parks
- £80k secured by Froglife and Friends of Parks groups for new ponds in Downhills Park and Queens Wood
- Completion of £3.8m restoration of Markfield Park
- Introduction of Parkforce – 700 hours a week of patrols in Haringey's parks
- Haringey in bloom awards
- Lordship Recreation ground restoration has begun.
- The Living Under One Sun (LUOS) community allotment organised a Harvest Festival.
- Back2Earth won £50k from the Peoples Millions competition.

#### **Energy**

- Haringey Council was awarded £253k to develop a Low Carbon Zone and a further £335k from Low Carbon Communities challenge.
- The 40:20 campaign has been adopted, with Haringey the first major Local Authority to adopt the target.
- Energy monitors have been placed in libraries for residents to loan.
- Social housing Energy Saving Programme (SHESP)- providing cavity wall insulation for the boroughs social housing stock
- Haringey Council was awarded funding from the Decentralised Energy Master Planning Programme, established by the London Development Agency (LDA) to carry out two feasibility studies for potential heat networks in the borough.
- Haringey Council was selected as one of nine local authorities to take part in the Department of Energy and Climate Change's Local Carbon Frameworks pilot.
- Haringey Council became one of the first local authorities to commit to introducing Local Carbon Budgets, to better measure action on carbon reduction.
- Solar photovoltaic (PV) panels were installed at three Haringey schools: Alexandra Park, Rhodes Avenue and Fortismere.
- The core strategy has been influenced by the development of the Greenest Borough Strategy and its resulting environmental ambitions.



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- A Local Climate Impacts Profile has been created which compiles a database of weather events and associated impacts which has been compiled from media reports and council service information going back as far as 2002.

### **Waste and Recycling**

- Expanded recycling service has been implemented with more materials that can be recycled.
- Households above shops now have a recycling service
- On the go recycling bins.
- Haringey Council has organised a series of Give or Take events and Compost giveaways
- Recycling operations team won chartered institute of waste management award for environmental excellence in the category of health and safety best practice
- Haringey's Recycling Service were winners at the Train to Gain awards, and short listed for Government Business Awards and letsrecycle.com Awards for excellence.
- Participated in watch your waste week

### **Food**

- Sustainable Food steering group created including partners and resident groups
- Haringey Council signed up to the Capital Growth target of 60 new community growing spaces by 2012.
- An online food map was produced to show new and existing food growing spaces in the borough.
- Hornsey Meadow Orchard created links with a farm on the outskirts of London as part of their 'Community Supported Agriculture' initiative.
- The 'Food from the Sky' project based at Thornton's Budgens in Crouch End received 200 old recycling boxes to use as containers food growing on their roof, along with advice and support on developing the project from the 2010 Chelsea Flower Show.
- Haringey achieved Fairtrade status.

### **'Leading by example'**

- Recycling is now in all offices, and the Sustainable Investment fund is providing real cost and environmental benefits.
- Creation of the Sustainable Investment Fund and Schools Sustainable Investment Fund.
- Innovative water filtration system has been installed at Tottenham Green Leisure Centre.
- Haringey Council adopted the Carbon Management Plan with the aim of reducing carbon emissions from our buildings, fleet and schools by 40% by 2014/15.
- SMART working rolled out in council offices
- Staff travel plan introduced.
- Green Champions programme was introduced.
- Adoption of a sustainable procurement action plan.

### **Sustainable travel**

- Haringey Car Club with 4100 of members
- The Sustainable Transport Commission was created to advise Haringey Council on transport policy.
- Electrical charging points have been introduced in car parks across the borough
- All schools have an approved school travel plan and Haringey collected the School Travel Planner of the Year Award.
- Haringey collected the Guardian award for Transport and mobility for work with Moselle School.
- Creation of Haringey Transport Forum
- Increased cycle and walking paths have been laid and new 'Cyclehoop' bike parking facilities were installed



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- The Air Quality Action Plan has been revised and updated and Haringey Council secured funding air quality awareness raising projects.
- Haringey Council were awarded £25k funding from Transport for London (TfL) to develop a Biking Borough cycling strategy to identify measures to increase cycling participation.

#### **Raising awareness and involvement**

- Going Green Conference and 40:20 conferences saw up to 100 people attend representing partners, residents and voluntary sector groups.
- The Green Fair grew from strength to strength with over 10,000 attendees in 2010.
- The Green Fair schools day attracted up to 500 children from 14 different schools.
- Haringey Council ran an outdoor promotional marketing campaign promoting behaviour change.
- Young peoples Earth Summit took place at the Bernie Grant Centre.
- A Sustainable Schools in Haringey CD was produced as a learning resource for teachers.
- Environmental engagement team worked with schools to promote energy reduction, waste reduction and recycling.

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