



**Meeting:** Enterprise Partnership Board

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**Report Title:** Performance Management Highlight Report – Second Quarter 2008/09

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#### **Purpose**

To update the Enterprise Board on the key enterprise related LAA performance highlights from the second quarter of 2008/09.

#### **Summary**

The key performance highlights are in relation to NEETs and the Job Seekers Allowance component of the stretch target to support 230 people from the 12 most deprived wards into sustained employment.

Performance in relation to the Incapacity Benefit stretch target remains a concern. An attempt to renegotiate this target will be made as part of the LAA refresh.

#### **Legal/Financial Implications**

N/A.

#### **Recommendations**

That the Enterprise Board notes this report.

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## **1. Introduction**

- 1.1 This report provides highlight information in relation to the indicators included in the Enterprise Theme Board's performance scorecard. The scorecard contains all the relevant indicators included in Haringey's Local Area Agreement (LAA) (National Indicators (NIs), stretch targets and local indicators).
- 1.2 Data for NI 171 (New business registration rate), at the time of writing this report, remain unavailable. It is expected that data will be available in time for the LAA refresh (a report on the LAA refresh is included in the agenda pack for this meeting).
- 1.3 Due to methodological issues, data for NI 153 (Working age people claiming out of work benefits in the worst performing neighbourhoods) have been withdrawn pending these issues being resolved. The data for Haringey, which were available before withdrawal have been included in the scorecard, for information. The data show that between August 2006 to May 2007 and August 2007 to May 2008 the out of work benefits claim rate in Haringey's worst performing neighbourhoods fell from 28.5 per cent to 26.8 per cent.
- 1.4 In terms of the LAA local indicators, the Learning and Skills Council has submitted draft targets in anticipation of the LAA refresh.
- 1.5 The key highlights from this quarter's scorecard are performance in relation to NI 117 (16 to 18 years olds not in education, employment or training (NEETs)) and the stretch target related to the number of people from the worst twelve worst helped into sustained work.
- 1.6 The proportion of NEETs in Haringey is currently 9.5 per cent. Although this is higher than the figure reported in quarter 1 of 8.4 per cent, current performance remains below the 2008/09 target of 11.0 per cent and the 2010 stretch target level of 10.4 per cent.
- 1.7 In quarters 1 and 2, 29 people from the 12 target wards were supported into sustained employment. The 60 per cent threshold, in terms of the Job Seekers Allowance component, upon which reward grant is payable has already been met.

## **2. Exception commentary**

- 2.1 Performance in relation to the Incapacity Benefit (IB) stretch target remains a concern with 3 sustained jobs reported in quarters 1 and 2. Since April 2007, 12 long-term IB claimants have been supported into sustained employment against a target of 180. To turn this around, explicit targets around supporting IB claimants into work have been included in the contracts issued to Haringey Guarantee providers. A Condition Management Programme, managed by the Teaching Primary Care Trust, has been introduced, which is available to appropriate Haringey Guarantee participants. Also, the number of outreach facilities has been increased with outreach events being held jointly with Job Centre Plus.