

Meeting: Haringey Strategic Partnership

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Report Title: Local Area Agreement Performance Update to January 2010

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1. Purpose

1.1 To provide an update on the latest performance data against the Local Area Agreement targets.

2. Summary:

2.1 This report provides the latest available performance information on the indicators contained within the LAA.

2.2 The latest data shows that overall, 30% (22) are reported as green or amber, 27% (20) as red and 43% (32) as data not available at the time of writing this report. Although for a high proportion of indicators current data for Quarter 3 2009/10 is not available, an assessment has been made of progress and Appendix 1 is annotated to show whether targets are on track to be achieved, where performance is improving or when the data will be available. For six indicators targets have recently been revised and four indicators are perception measures from the Place Survey for which data will not be available until the end of 2010. Another indicator for which data is not available is fuel poverty (NI 187) and is also based on a survey for which we expect results by April 2010.

2.3 Of the 35 designated improvement targets, nine are achieving or close to achieving target with a further six on track to achieve target based on the latest available data, 43% green. Nine targets are not on track to achieve targets set for 2009/10. These are:

- Serious violent crime
- Hospital admissions for alcohol related harm
- Drug users in effective treatment
- Initial and Core assessments (children's social care)
- Under 18 Conceptions
- Household waste sent for recycling
- Early Access for women to Maternity Services
- Adult Participation in Sport

2.4 Exception reports are available for areas where targets are not being achieved. It should be noted that for Adult participation in sport (NI 8)* which is also one of the 13 stretch targets, performance is based on the Active People Survey which is carried out in two tranches, the second one being in October each year. If the October '09 survey

data is used, the 2009/10 target will not be achieved but if the results of the October 2010 survey can be used, there is a possibility that the target will be met. As the timescales of the survey are not aligned with the financial year, we have sought clarification on which survey year will count. GOL are checking with CLG and will confirm the position.

2.5 Good progress is being made on the stretch targets with five having already achieved or exceeded the agreed stretch target and a further four on track to achieve target based on the latest available data. Three targets look unlikely to achieve the stretch; Recycling, Participation in Sport* and People on incapacity benefits helped into work. One target is rated amber as the target for one element, people on job seekers allowance helped into work is expected to be achieved (40% of the target PRG) but the lone parents target (60% of the target PRG) is not likely to be met.

2.6 The full scorecard is available on the Haringey website (see link below). It sets out the latest available performance information. A significant number of the indicators lend themselves to annual reporting, the 2008/09 outturn is therefore provided as 2009/10 data is outstanding.

http://www.haringey.gov.uk/index/council/performance_and_finance/council_inspections/performance-reports/hsp_performance_quarters.htm

2.7 Exception reports are available for our areas for focus

- Serious violent crime
- Initial and core assessments for children's social care
- Recycling
- Number of people on job seekers allowance helped into sustained work

3. Legal/Financial Implications

3.1 The Council's Chief Financial Officer has been consulted on the contents of this report and notes the positive progress made on the 13 stretch targets. It should be noted that final assessment and payment of the performance reward grant (PRG) will not take place until the end of the final year i.e. 2009/10. It should also be borne in mind that the actual sum paid depends on the level of stretch attained.

4. Recommendations

4.1 That the Strategic Partnership:

- Consider the latest performance for the Local Area Agreement and remedial actions to be taken to address areas of risk.
- Consider progress against the agreed LAA 'stretch targets' for 2007-2010.

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5. Background

- 5.1 The new LAA was developed within a new framework whereby 35 targets were chosen, selected from the list of 198 new national indicators. These 35 improvement targets encompass our key priority areas for the next three years. In addition to the 35 there are 10 mandatory education attainment targets and 29 local indicators. It also includes the 13 stretch targets from the 2007/08-2009/10 LAA and a number of safeguarding indicators which were added during the year 1 refresh in April 2009.
- 5.2 Haringey recently refreshed its 2008/09-2010/11 Local Area Agreement (year 2) which was submitted to Government Office for London on 12th March 2010, with subsequent ministerial sign off expected by 31st March.
- 5.3 The refreshed LAA encompasses:
- 5.3.1 Revision of targets for the economic indicators which were 'frozen' last year as a result of the economic downturn. These include:
- NI 116 - Proportion of children in poverty;
 - NI 153 - Working age people claiming out of work benefits;
 - NI 154 - Net additional homes provided; and
 - NI 171 - New business registration rate.
- 5.3.2 Setting of targets for the two nationally deferred indicators:
- NI 125 Achieving independence for older people
 - NI 149 Adults in contact with secondary mental health services
- 5.3.3 Removal of NI 112 Teenage conception rate from the overall reward calculation.
- 5.3.4 Technical revisions to targets where data was confirmed post ministerial approval in April 2009 such as the place survey targets.

6. Appendices

- 6.1 LAA Performance Overview – Appendix 1