Haringey Strategic Partnership – 22 March 2007

Subject: Thematic Partnerships Update

1. Purpose

1.1 To present summary updates of the work streams, activities and recent decisions undertaken by each of the thematic partnerships.

2. Summary

2.1 The quarterly updates from each of the theme boards is set out below and accompanied by the minutes of the last meetings.

3. Recommendations

3.1 To note the updates from each thematic partnership and for board members to comment as appropriate.

Thematic Partnerships Update

4. <u>Well-being Partnership</u>

- 4.1 The Well-being Partnership Board held a special meeting on 15 February to consider two items of particular significance:
 - Haringey's Life Expectancy Action Plan (also on the agenda for this HSP meeting);
 - A joint report on finance by the HTPCT and Adult Services which concluded that both organisations "are determined to minimise the impact on residents of the challenging financial position in the borough. This is being done through ongoing discussion at a political and senior management level by aligning resources to joint priorities and jointly seeking to make efficiency saving where they can be made".
- 4.2 At its next meeting on 15 March, the Board will discuss the development of Haringey's Well-being Strategic Framework and plans for the implementation of the Health Act 2006, specifically the ban on smoking in enclosed public places and workplaces from 1st July 2007.

5. <u>Better Places Partnership</u>

- 5.1 At its meeting on 14th February the Board considered the Better Places NRF Programme for 2007/08.
- 5.2 The meeting that was scheduled for 26th February was postponed. Future dates have yet to be set.

6. <u>Enterprise Partnership</u> SSCF Tackling Worklessness

6.1 The Safer and Stronger Communities Fund programme, a £1million integrated package of interventions tackling worklessness in 3 wards –

Bruce Grove, Noel Park and Northumberland Park, has completed 2 quarters delivery and an evaluation of this delivery was presented to the Board in March 2007. Good progress is being made against most indicators with employment advisors now in place in council settings, GP surgeries, and in college courses. A total of 27 jobs have been secured, work placements have been established and 250 students are on enhanced vocational courses.

The SSCF interventions are integrated and cemented together through the <u>Haringey Guarantee</u> which is being launched at Tottenham Hotspur on 20 April 2007.

NRF Allocation 2007/08

6.2 The Enterprise Board has agreed programmes for £500,000 NRF in 2007/08. £225,000 is allocated to the continuing NRFESF co-financing programme tackling worklessness with £25,000 allocated to supporting the delivery of LAA stretch targets on worklessness. The proposed funding allocation for business and enterprise will be split into 2 pools: £110,000 allocation to Haringey City Growth and £140,000 allocation to Business Support and LEGI projects

The LAA Economic Development Block

6.3 The LAA Economic Development Block targets have been agreed with GOL, DWP and DCLG. These targets are supporting 180 long term IB claimants, 110 long term JSA claimants and 120 Lone Parents supported into sustainable employment.

Two enabling measures around extended in work benefit support and extended benefit support for work placements have progressed through to the DWP where they are being discussed in a working group which will report back by the end of March 2007.

Funding Mapping

6.4 The Board had requested a strategic mapping exercise of current intervention funding by partners in the borough, to establish that best value is being achieved. This was presented to the March 2007 Board meeting. This showed that 53 different organisations operating in Haringey receive funding through 3 main funding streams – ESF, NRF, SSCF – and 4 main commissioning bodies – LSC, LDA< JCP and LBH. Only 8 organisations receive funding from more than 1 funding stream and from more than 1 commissioning body.</p>

Life Expectancy Action Plan

6.5 The TPCT presented the LEAP at the Enterprise Board and partners will feedback comments and suggestions on how LEAP can be linked to the work of the Enterprise Board on tackling worklessness and increasing entrepreneurship.

7. Safer Communities Executive Board (SCEB)

7.1 The Safer Communities Executive Board meeting was held on 12th March.

- 7.2 The performance of the partnership against the PSA targets was discussed and noted to have improved significantly for the first half of this year (2006/07), which was the period covered by the report submitted. The weakest area is Theft from a Motor Vehicle.
- 7.3 The substance misuse targets have seen an increase in achievements since then new providers of the Drugs Intervention Programme have been operational.
- 7.4 The Youth Offending Service's performance has continued to improve, with low numbers of young offenders in full time education, training and employment being the main weakness. The numbers of new entrants into the youth justice system looks high and will not meet the target, but this is partly due to a base line that was incorrectly low due to poor recording of young people receiving reprimands out of Borough.
- 7.5 The draft action plans were approved for 2007/08 for each of the partnership boards under the SCEB. These include the targets and outcomes needed to be achieved under the LAA for the next year, and use the data analysts reports to utilise resources where and when these are most needed.
- 7.6 The main challenge for next year will be that having done so well this year, it will be really hard to significantly improve on these achievements, as we are measured each year on the baseline of the previous year.

8. <u>Children and Young People's Strategic Partnership (CYPSP)</u>

- 8.1 The CYPSP met in January and devoted a part of the meeting to consideration of *Changing Lives*, the Children and Young People's Plan, and in particular the review for year two. Overall it was felt that the priorities were still the appropriate ones, but that the plan would benefit from further development. For example by refining targets as we increase our knowledge of activities and outcomes or looking at the impact of developments in one priority on other priorities.
- 8.2 The CYPSP also received a paper outlining the options under consideration for the alignment of Connexions Services from April 2007. At this time funds will start to transfer to the local authority until April 2008 when the Council assumes full responsibility for the delivery of Connexions.
- 8.3 There were also reports from the Safer School's Programme and a presentation on the final exam results for Haringey schools.
- 8.4 The Joint Area Review (JAR) action plan and the Local Safeguarding Children Board annual report were also presented to the CYPSP.

- 8.5 Updates were given on the progress with the Local Area Agreement and Neighbourhood Renewal Funding, Children's Networks and the Play Strategy and application to the Big Lottery Fund's play programme.
- 8.6 The Partnership Forum also met in January and spent time reviewing progress on *Changing Lives* and considering possible ideas for the second year review. There have also been meetings of the 11-19 Forum in January and the Early Years Forum in February. The 11-19 Forum was addressed by David Hughes, the London Regional Director of the Learning and Skills Council. The business of the Early Years Forum included the election of the Chair, and Melian Mansfield has been confirmed in this role.