

Well-being Partnership Board (WBPB)

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Report Title: Refresh of Local Area Agreement (LAA) Targets 2008

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Summary

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Recommendations

For the Well-being Partnership Board to note progress and comment on the proposed targets.

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1. Introduction

LAA's are concerned with local services and increasing economic prosperity for local people. They are three year agreements with priorities agreed between all the main public sector agencies working in the area and with Central Government, in our case Government Office for London (GOL). The LAA translates the priorities in the local Sustainable Community Strategy into local improvement targets. Therefore each LAA is expected to be different and encompass the issues which are relevant to the local area.

LAA's are a part of the new performance system for local government, which aims to significantly reduce the burden on local authorities. There will also be a new Comprehensive Area Assessment (CAA) which will replace the Comprehensive Performance Assessment (CPA) as well as sweeping away most existing performance indicators and reporting systems and replacing them with a new, single set of performance indicators stemming from the Comprehensive Spending Review 2007 (CSR 07).

In the past LAA's have been divided into four thematic 'blocks' to which funding streams were tied. Whilst these four themes will remain as a guide to ensure the full range of national priorities are considered in negotiation about which targets to include in the LAA, funding will no longer be restricted within the themes. This will provide local partners with new flexibility over how resources are allocated to best fit with local circumstances. The themes have been slightly amended to include environmental concerns and are now as follows:

- Children and Young People
- Safer & Stronger Communities
- Healthier Communities and Older People
- Economic Development **and the Environment**

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2. Initial progress

In September 2007, the HSP was asked by GOL to provide a list of 35 indicative targets for Haringey. The list was informed by:

- The Sustainable Community Strategy
- Key strategic priorities of the HSP at the HSP Seminar on 29th June
- Specific LAA priority targets identified by partners at the HSP Seminar on 29th June
- Priorities identified by the Council's Corporate Performance team
- Priorities from each of the HSP's Theme Boards

- Priorities of individual partner agencies
- Need to specifically target deprivation in particular wards and neighbourhoods in the Borough

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1. Reduce alcohol related harms across health and crime
2. Increase opportunities for people to live independently
3. Reduce physical inactivity
4. Reduce the number of people who smoke, and the number of people exposed to second-hand smoke
5. Reduce premature mortality
6. Provide support for unpaid carers, including preparing for when they are no longer able to care
7. Develop housing related support services for vulnerable people
8. *Improve sexual health*
9. *Protect children and adults by increasing immunisation rates*

A full list of the 35 targets are shown in Appendix A; many of which although they have been proposed by other thematic partnerships will help improve well-being in the borough.

Once agreed with GOL, the final 35 targets, together with the 17 statutory early years/education targets, will represent the priorities for improvement agreed between central government and all members of the Haringey Strategic Partnership from 2008.

Further updates on progress towards deciding our new LAA targets will be presented at future meetings of the WBPB.