Safer Communities Executive Board 26th October 2007 Proposed target areas for the 2008/09 LAA Margaret Gallagher- Policy and Performance

The 36 improvement targets

Our choice of targets has been influenced by:

- What residents told us
- Our knowledge of the local area
- Our understanding of where we need to do more to achieve our priorities

Summary of the targets (1)

Partners have agreed:

- 3 targets on community cohesion/social inclusion
- 3 targets on environment and sustainability
- 6 targets on the health, safety and overall wellbeing of our young and vulnerable people

Summary of the targets (2)

- 4 targets on improving economic prosperity
- 4 targets on increasing the supply and raising the standard of housing
- 7 targets on reducing and preventing crime with a focus on young people
- 9 targets on promoting wellbeing and reducing health inequalities

Safer Communities Targets

- Reduce overall crime with a particular focus on youth
- Increase victim support for children & young people
- Reduce harm caused by illegal drugs
- Reduce drug related crime
- Reduce number of entrants to youth justice system
- Reduce premature deaths from accidents or injuries
- Reduce domestic violence

Added Value

- But SCEB also has significant contribution to other targets in the set e.g. those around community cohesion and reducing alcohol related harm
- New indicator set reflects emerging priorities from government in line with the emphasis in the Local Government White Paper and Bill on community engagement
- The set includes a range of indicators on civic participation (NI 3), satisfaction (NI 5) and volunteering (NI 6) and how far people feel a sense of belonging (NI 2).
- Many of these will be familiar from the old Safer and Stronger Communities block

Next Steps/Timeline

- Still early stages of negotiation process
- Initial meeting with Government Office Sept '07
- Comprehensive Spending Review, National Indicator Set and guidance published Oct '07
- Negotiation of priorities based on departmental and Government Office discussions and LA/HSP consultations Jan- Mar '08
- Submit revised outcomes framework to Government Office with proposed improvement targets April '08
- Final sign off of new LAA in June '08