

**Harrow Strategic Partnership Board
7th August 2008**



Delivery of the New Local Area Agreement

Purpose of Report

The purpose of this report is to update the Board on what processes are being put in place to communicate and monitor the delivery of the recently agreed Local Area Agreement.

The HSP Board is requested to:

- A. Review the delivery plans
- B. Identify any additional projects that are to be undertaken during the first year of the agreement
- C. Identify any projects, which you can assist in delivering
- D. Circulate the new LAA and delivery plans within your individual organisations
- E. Send any updates to the Policy and Partnership Team by the 5th September 2008
- F. Provide a link to the LAA in your respective websites

Background

Harrows new Local Area Agreement was negotiated and agreed by the Government Office of London on the 1st June 2008. The agreement was then formally endorsed by the Council, as the accountable body, on the 17th July and endorsed by the State of Secretary at the end of July.

Unlike the previous Local Area Agreement the reward element of the agreement will be split across the whole agreement of 34 indicators. This means that our performance management framework that we have in place needs to be robust to ensure we are on top of the delivery of all these indicators and any risks associated to delivery can be identified, communicated and minimised at an early stage.

Delivery Plans

To help monitor the delivery of the agreement it was agreed that each management group will produce a delivery plan for the indicators that they are accountable for, as stated in the Local Area Agreement. To help ensure that the delivery plans are inclusive and all partners are considered, the first draft of the delivery plans will be circulated across the partnership.

It is intended that the 2nd and 3rd year of the agreements will involve each partner organisation including the LAA outcomes into their service plans and schedule relevant projects to help deliver these.

Attached are the five delivery plans (Appendix A) that have been provided to date. There are still a number of gaps that need to be completed.

Communication Plan

The partnership is required to communicate the completion of our new local area agreement, including the improvement priorities to our residents and stakeholders. The process for achieving this will involve the following tasks:

- An article and copy of the LAA on the Council's website
- Copies of the LAA on the Council's website

- A letter to all attendees of the summit notifying them of the completed LAA and thanking them for their contribution
- Copies of the LAA in all of Harrow's public libraries
- A letter to all partners requesting a link on their individual websites
- A press release to Harrow's local newspapers through the Council's communications team