

Title Local Area Agreement Refresh

Introduction

Harrow's new Local Area Agreement (LAA) was signed off by the Secretary of State in June 2008. At this time a number of our chosen indicators did not have data available to allow us to agree on targets or the national indicators were deferred until 2009.

We are required to have our LAA designated indicators agreed and submitted to Government Office of London by the 27th March 2009, to be eligible for reward grant at the end of the three year period (unless stated otherwise).

Summary of the issue

The following indicators have been revised based on new available data or changes in the indicators definition. All changes have been discussed and approved by the relevant indicator lead.

Ref	National Indicator	Baseline	Target 09/10	Target 10/11	Comment
1	% of people who believe that people from different background get on well together in their local area	76.2%	78%	79.8%	New baseline and targets based on the Place Survey results
6	Participation in regular volunteering	24%	25.8%	27.7%	New baseline and targets based on the Place Survey results
7	Environment for a thriving third sector	10.4%	12.6%	14.8%	New baseline and targets based on the Third Sector Survey
8	Adult participation in sport	13.3%	14.8%	16.3%	The results of the Active People Survey in 2008 showed a decrease in the number of people participating in sport and leisure, down from 19%. From discussions held with Sport England, they are of the opinion that the current economic downturn may be a key contributor impacting on West London Borough's, and in particular on less disposable income available to adults aged 16+ living in Harrow. We have successfully renegotiated to use the latest baseline from the Active 2 Survey and have lowered our target from 23% to 16.3%
11	Engagement in the Arts	42.4%	44.5%	45.3%	New baseline and targets based on the Active 2 Survey
13	Migrants English Language skills and knowledge	TBC			Awaiting for data from the Learning Skills Council
17	Perceptions of anti-social behaviour	23.9%	21.5%	20.5%	The baseline was adjusted to reflect the new Place Survey results. This has meant the 2010/11 target has been adjusted from 21% to 20.5% to allow a significant difference
32	Repeat incidents of domestic violence	0%	12.5%	25%	The NI definition was clarified to allow target setting to take place
40	Number of drug users recorded as	402	435	452	The new definition required the targets to be written as numbers instead of percentages

	being in effective treatment				
51	Effectiveness of child and adolescent mental health services	14	16	16	The definition of NI 51 was redefined and our targets for 2009/10 and 10/11 have been amended as a result. 16 is the highest level that can be obtained for this indicator.
57	Children and young people's participation in high-quality PE and sport	69% (07/08)	82%	88%	New baseline and targets based on an additional survey undertaken by Government and a redefined measure.
108	Key stage 4 attainment for Black and minority ethnic groups				Targets for NI 108 at the time of writing this report are still being negotiated with Government Office for London
115	Substance misuse by young people	NI 115 has been removed to the local section of the agreement (non designated section). This is due to the excellent results achieved in 2008/09, which were better than the London average. Therefore it is recommended that this indicator is no longer an improvement priority for Harrow but still remains a priority for the partnership and remain in the local section.			
126	Early Access for women to maternity services	40%	85%	90%	The 2009/10 target was adjusted from 70% to 85% to reflect the target in the PCT Operating Plan
140	% of people who believe that people from different background get on well together in their local area	64.1%	66.1%	68.1%	This indicator has been refreshed due to the new Place Survey results becoming available
146	Adults with learning disabilities in employment	Baseline to be established 09/10		Statistically significant improvement	Baseline data will not be available until 2009/10. NI 146 will still be eligible for reward grant.
149	Adults in contact with secondary mental health services in settled accommodation	Baseline to be established 09/10		Statistically significant improvement	Baseline data will not be available until 2009/10 NI 149 will still be eligible for reward grant
152	Working age people on out of work benefits	9.6%	9.0%	8.6%	This indicator has been "locked down" by government due to the current economic recession. The targets will be reviewed during the 2009/10 refresh when more up to date data is available. This indicator will still be eligible for reward grant.
155	Number of affordable homes delivered (gross)	127	219	219	The targets have been adjusted as a result of the new Greater London Association targets. They have increased from 200 per year to 219 per year
186	Per capita CO2 emissions in the LA area	4.9 tonnes	7.5% reduction	11.5% reduction	An updated baseline was made available by DEFRA. 5.2 tonnes per capita to 4.9 tonnes per capita. Targets have remained the same
197	Improved local biodiversity – active management of local sites	39%	50%	67%	The new definition now includes private sites. Our baseline and targets have been adjusted as a result, from 83% in 2010/11 to 67%. This is equivalent to our old target of 5 sites being moved into positive management to 14 sites.
198	Children travelling to school – mode of travel usually used	38%	36%	35%	The definition was amended to include park and stride. Our targets and baseline have remained the same, however at the time of writing this

					report the Department for Transport are challenging us on using a set group of schools to draw a comparison over the 3 years. This indicator has yet to be agreed with GOL.
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Proposed action

Recommendation

For the HSP Board to agree to the proposed changes in the Harrow Local Area Agreement