SOUTH CAMBRIDGESHIRE LOCAL STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP

REPORT TO: South Cambridgeshire Local Strategic

Partnership Board

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SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY STRATEGY: INDICATORS AND TARGETS

Purpose

1. To agree performance indicators and targets for the Sustainable Community Strategy 2008-2011.

Background

- 2. The LSP Board agreed its Sustainable Community Strategy on the 9th April 2008, however, the indicators remained in draft form to ensure that South Cambridgeshire targets are in line with the new Local Area Agreement (LAA) 2008-2011.
- 3. The strategy has been approved by the district council's Cabinet, but must also be approved by full Council. The Council sign-off is subject to the inclusion of performance indicators and targets. The Sustainable Community Strategy is due to go to Council on the 25th September 2008.
- 4. The LAA was submitted at the end of May 2008 and confirmation of Secretary of State sign off was received on the 30th June 2008. The LAA targets were presented at the 10th July 2008 LSP Board meeting.

Performance Indicators

- 5. Over the past few months officers have been working to ensure that there are performance indicators attached to each of the priorities identified within the Sustainable Community Strategy. The suggested performance indicators are included as a list within the strategy document (Appendix A) and are divided into
 - National indicators that are in the LAA,
 - Other national indicators, and
 - Locally developed indicators.
- 6. A supplementary document (Appendix B) has also been produced to show how the indicators specifically relate to each of the priorities and provides the detail of baselines and proposed targets. Some of the indicators will be used to assess performance against more than one priority. The quarterly monitoring reports to the LSP Board will be developed using this information. The LSP Board agreed its new performance management framework on the 9th April 2008.
- 7. Where possible, existing indicators and targets have been suggested.
- 8. The LAA includes countywide targets for a variety of national indicators, including a number of statutory educational attainment indicators. Of 55 national indicators included within the LAA, 35 are suggested for inclusion within the South Cambridgeshire strategy. The indicators that do not have an easy fit with the strategy are the 15 statutory educational attainment indicators and also,

- NI 15 Serious violent crime rate
- NI 120 All age cause mortality in the 20% most deprived areas in Cambridgeshire
- NI 136 People supported to live independently through social services
- NI 152 Working age people on out of work benefits (Fenland only)
- NI 182 Satisfaction of businesses with local authority regulation services
- 9. Unfortunately a number of the national indicators cannot be disaggregated to district level, but they remain relevant to the South Cambridgeshire vision. Performance information will be received at a local level where possible.
- 10. The first six-month performance report will hopefully be available for the LSP Board in November 2008.

Implications

11.	Financial	There will be reward grant available countywide if LAA targets
		are met.
	Legal	Full Council must sign off the Sustainable Community
		Strategy.
	Risk Management	As per the terms of reference, the LSP Board will manage
		risks to the achievement of its aims, objectives and outcomes
		by reviewing a risk log on a six-monthly basis.
	Equal Opportunities	An Equalities Impact Assessment has been carried out on the
		Sustainable Community Strategy.

Effect on Strategic Objectives and Priorities

12. Active, healthy and inclusive communities

• Performance indicators and targets will mean that it is possible to measure the impact of the LSP against its priorities.

Safe and clean communities

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Building successful new communities

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A sustainable infrastructure and environment

• Performance indicators and targets will mean that it is possible to measure the impact of the LSP against its priorities.

Recommendations

13. The LSP Board is asked to agree the suite of indicators suggested for inclusion within the Sustainable Community Strategy (Appendix A) and also agree the proposed targets (Appendix B).

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