

## SOUTH CAMBRIDGESHIRE LOCAL STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP

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**REPORT TO:** South Cambridgeshire Local Strategic Partnership Board  
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### SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY STRATEGY PERFORMANCE REPORT

#### Purpose

1. To review performance against the Sustainable Community Strategy and highlight areas of outstanding achievement or concern.

#### Background

2. The Local Strategic Partnership (LSP) Board agreed its Sustainable Community Strategy on the 9<sup>th</sup> April 2008 and performance targets in September 2008.
3. The district council's Cabinet approved the strategy in March 2008, followed by Council in September 2008.
4. The Local Area Agreement (LAA) was submitted at the end of May 2008 and confirmation of Secretary of State sign off was received on the 30<sup>th</sup> June 2008. The LAA targets were presented at the 10<sup>th</sup> July 2008 LSP Board meeting. The LAA has recently been refreshed, which has resulted in a number of targets being amended or added as well as a few changes being made to the set of indicators that are included.

#### Measuring Performance

5. Arrangements for performance managing the LAA are strengthening and over recent months a considerable amount of work has taken place: a detailed quarter three LAA performance report has been considered by the LAA Reference Group and Chief Executive's Liaison Group (CELG); a new performance management system has been rolled out to partners; and a project has been initiated to engage the strategic thematic partnerships more directly in the management of performance and delivery, and identifying exception reports for the Cambridgeshire Together Board's consideration.
6. Following the review of the detailed Quarter 3 performance report by the LAA Reference Group, three exception reports on Smoking, Climate Change and Education, Employment and Training were referred to the Board in March 2009 for debate. A further exception report on participation in sport has recently been considered by the LAA Reference Group. LAA exception reports are triggered by one or a combination of the following:
  - A red status has been awarded to an individual performance indicator;
  - A red status is awarded to two or more of the following – performance, risk or action plan.
7. This Sustainable Community Strategy Performance Report includes all of the LAA indicators that were agreed as being important to South Cambridgeshire and uses district-level data where possible. Due to the number of new indicators, inconsistency

of data availability and the number of baselines and targets that have either only just been confirmed or are yet to be confirmed, the report does have its limitations in terms of performance management. However, despite this it does give a view of where the LSP is at and highlights areas where further work needs to be developed.

### Performance Overview

8. The table below sets out the current performance and risk based on the most recent data available at end March 2009. Each indicator is assessed in terms of whether the indicator is currently on track based on performance to date and on the risk of the target not being met in the future. Further data should become available by end May 2009 when year end figures are uploaded onto the CorVu performance management system by partner agencies.

Objective	Performance Status				Risk Status			
	Green	Amber	Red	?	Green	Amber	Red	?
1. Active, healthy & inclusive communities	30%	20%	10%	40%	5%	45%	5%	45%
2. Safe & clean communities	53.3%	6.7%	13.3%	26.7%	6.7%	46.6%	20%	26.7%
3. Building successful new communities	12.5%	12.5%	12.5%	62.5%	0%	37.5%	0%	62.5%
4. Sustainable infrastructure & environment	40%	10%	10%	40%	30%	20%	0%	50%
<b>Total</b>	<b>35.8%</b>	<b>13.3%</b>	<b>11.4%</b>	<b>39.5%</b>	<b>9.6%</b>	<b>39.6%</b>	<b>7.4%</b>	<b>43.4%</b>

9. A large proportion of figures are not yet available due to the fact that many of the new National Indicators are only collected on an annual basis. Where an indicator is listed as measuring performance on more than one priority within an indicator it has only been included once. However, if an indicator is used as a measurement for more than one objective it has been included in the figures for all relevant objectives.
10. A summary of the data can be found at Appendix A.
11. Indicators where close attention should be paid due to either a red flagged performance status or risk status are:
- NI 17 (Perceptions of anti-social behaviour) – the new target set for South Cambs is very challenging and therefore may not be met even if a strong focus is paid to this indicator.
  - NI 123 (16+ smoking prevalence) – the target has been renegotiated for 2009/10 and 2010/11, however, this indicator has been flagged countywide and remains of concern. According to the 2008 Health Profile for South Cambridgeshire performs significantly better than the England average.
  - NI 154 (Net additional homes provided) – the countywide target has been revised and therefore the local target will also need to be revised. A comprehensive set of actions have been devised to enable districts, housing developers, housing associations and funders to (a) continue to deliver as much as possible and (b) investigate new models for provision.

## **Recommendations**

12. The LSP Board is asked to note the report and highlight any areas of concern to concentrate future action.

**Background Papers:** the following background papers were used in the preparation of this report:

- Cambridgeshire Together agenda pack for 20<sup>th</sup> March 2009.

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