

Corporate Assessment Actions 2008
City Development Scrutiny Board

Issue	Plan within which action sits	Current Position April 08	CO Responsibility	RAG status
Ambition				
No clear measurable outcomes relating to ambition of becoming a successful European city.	Vision for Leeds, Leeds Strategic Plan 2008-11 supported by Leeds Economic Development Strategy	<p>We have set up a new Leeds Initiative Going up a League Board whose remit is to drive forward outcomes which meet our aim to become a successful European city. The Board met for the first time in March 2008 chaired by Councillor Andrew Carter, Leader, Leeds City Council. It has on it representation from all three main political parties; the Chief Executive and Director of the council's City Development Directorate; representatives of the private sector; and the Vice Chancellors of both universities.</p> <p>The Board and its members will champion this agenda and in driving the city's approach to going up a league and becoming a successful European city. It will provide challenge and support to the council and other partners in achieving measurable outcomes</p>	Kathy Kudelnitzky	

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Performance Management				
Lack of consistency for review and setting of individual targets and objectives.	Council Business Plan 2008-11	New Senior Manager appraisal scheme based on core competencies and greater accountability piloted with Directors now being rolled out to Chief Officers. Middle Manager scheme being developed for Autumn 2008.	Lorraine Hallam	
Presentation of service plans was inconsistent up until this year, therefore embedding of performance management culture is yet to happen.	Council Business Plan 2008-11	Corporate Service Planning workshops held Feb/March 08. Quality assurance review in May 08 with report to CLT	Steve Clough	
Achievement in Sustainable Communities and Transport				
Not yet made significant impact on our target to reduce worklessness.	Leeds Strategic Plan 2008-11 supported by Leeds Economic Development Strategy*	City partnership group on worklessness established. Targets to reduce worklessness included in LAA. Strategy and action plan being developed through partnership group to deliver LAA targets	Stephen Boyle	

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Planning performance is below average but has recently improved.	Leeds Strategic Plan 2008-11 supported by Local Development Framework	We have introduced performance management procedures and reduced the backlog of old applications. We have introduced 'standard' performance targets for major applications and a Planning Performance Charter for major development proposals. Performance against all BV109 indicators improved: 2007/08 compared with the previous year.	Phil Crabtree	
Sustainability is not yet embedded in planning processes.	Leeds Strategic Plan 2008-11 supported by Climate Change Strategy* and Local Development Framework	A process has been established for undertaking Sustainability Appraisal of new planning policy documents. This should ensure that the policies against which applications are judged are inherently sustainable. A Sustainable Design and Construction SPD is nearing completion. A range of information is required from developers to support their planning applications that address sustainability issues e.g. transport assessments and green travel plans	Phil Crabtree	

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There remains a recognised need to develop the public transport strategy further.	Leeds Strategic Plan 2008-11 supported by West Yorkshire Local Transport Plan 2006-11	<p>The following core strategy approaches are identified in the West Yorkshire LTP in relation to public transport.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improve physical accessibility by making public transport more accessible. • Maintain and develop public transport networks through our bus and rail strategies. • Raise awareness of public transport and improve and target information and marketing. • Encourage modal switch to public transport by encouraging more travel by bus and rail and improving ticketing and information. <p>Measures to address the issues related to buses are taken forward in partnership with Metro and the bus operators and coordinated by the Leeds Bus Partnership Group. A programme of interventions has been identified through to the end of LTP2 in March 2011 and this is monitored by the partnership group.</p>	Steve Speak	

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		Rail measures are led by Metro and involve partnership working with the rail industry. Bids are made to the Regional Transport Board for funding to support selected rail improvements.		

* Plans in development