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**Report of the Chief Officer (Executive Support)**

**Outer East Area Committee**

**Date: 18 September 2007**

**Subject: Local Area Agreement**

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**Electoral Wards Affected:**

Ward Members consulted  
(referred to in report)

**Specific Implications For:**

Equality and Diversity

Community Cohesion

Narrowing the Gap

Council  
Function

Delegated Executive  
Function available  
for Call In

Delegated Executive  
Function not available for  
Call In Details set out in the  
report

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**Executive Summary**

At its meeting on 22 May 2007 the Outer East Area Committee received a report and presentation on the Local Area Agreement. Following that report the Committee requested further information on the funding within the LAA to support the delivery of LAA outcomes, the partnership arrangements in place to support the delivery of LAA outcomes and how Members are involved in the development of the new Local Area Agreement as part of the new Leeds Strategic Plan. This report provides this information.

## **1.0 Purpose Of This Report**

- 1.1 This report provides further information on funding and partnership groups to support the delivery of LAA objectives, and provides information on how Members are involved in the development of the new Local Area Agreement/Leeds Strategic Plan in response to a request for more information following the meeting of the Outer East Area Committee in May.

## **2.0 Background Information**

- 2.1 The Local Area Agreement is an agreement between Leeds City Council and its local partners on the one hand and central government on the other to work in partnership to improve outcomes for local people and the city.
- 2.2 In July 2007 Executive Board adopted a new corporate planning framework for the Council. At the heart of the new planning framework will be a Leeds Strategic Plan which will set out the Council's priorities for Leeds for the next three years and what the Council will do, alone or in partnership with others, to deliver those priorities. This plan will bring together the themes in the Vision for Leeds, the Local Area Agreement and the Regeneration Plan.

## **3.0 Main Issues**

### **Funding**

- 3.1 A benefit of the Local Area Agreement is that a number of grants are pooled into four blocks giving greater flexibility over how funds are spent locally and reducing the bureaucratic burden of reporting requirements. In 2006/7, the first year of the LAA, 8 funding streams were pooled into the LAA with a total value of £16.7 million. For the current year, the number of funding streams pooled into the LAA in Leeds has doubled to 16 and the value of the funds pooled has more than doubled to £37.5 million. Funds pooled within the LAA in 2007/8 are shown in Appendix 1.

### **Partnership Arrangements**

- 3.2 A number of Council led partnership groups have been established to manage the delivery of the LAA. In addition to the four block groups which co-ordinate activities and funding to deliver the targets in each block there are also a Performance Management Group, Programme Management Board and a Strategy Group which bring together senior officers from a number of public, private and voluntary groups to co-ordinate the activities of the LAA as a whole. These groups and their composition are listed in Appendix 2.

### **Member Involvement**

- 3.3 Leeds City Council is the accountable body for the LAA and the Executive Board of the Council has received regular reports on the progress of the LAA. A Scrutiny inquiry into Narrowing the Gap looked into the impact of the Local Area Agreement. Area Committees and District Partnerships have been encouraged to look at the implications of the Local Area Agreement for their areas and some Area Committees and District Partnerships have done so.

- 3.4 In July 2007 Executive Board adopted a new corporate planning framework for the Council. At the heart of the new planning framework will be a Leeds Strategic Plan which will set out the Council's priorities for Leeds for the next three years and what the Council will do, alone or in partnership with others, to deliver those priorities. This plan will bring together the themes in the Vision for Leeds, the Local Area Agreement and the Regeneration Plan, 'thus making possible an integrated framework geared to tackling neighbourhood needs and priorities', which was one of the recommendations of the Scrutiny Inquiry into Narrowing the Gap.
- 3.5 The Leeds Strategic Plan will be part of the Council's Budget and Policy Framework and will need to be considered by Scrutiny before it can be adopted by Full Council. This will give Members several opportunities to consider and shape the Leeds Strategic Plan.
- 3.6 All Area Committees are also being invited to consider the improvement priorities to be included in the Leeds Strategic Plan and Local Area Agreement and a presentation on the new improvement priorities will be given at the next meeting of this Committee.
- 3.7 A Member Reference Group consisting the leaders of the three largest party groups on the Council has also been set up to discuss how the improvement priorities in the Leeds Strategic Plan should be developed.
- 3.8 Other stakeholders are also being given an opportunity to comment on the improvement priorities to be included in the Leeds Strategic Plan. Some of these groups such as Leeds Initiative groups and District Partnerships also have Councillors in their memberships..

#### **4.0 Implications For Council Policy and Governance**

- 4.1 The proposals contained in this report are in line with the Council policy and governance framework and follow the strategic decisions of the Outer East Area Committee.

#### **5.0 Legal and Resource Implications**

- 5.1 There are no legal and resource implications arising from this report

#### **6.0 Conclusions**

- 6.1 The Local Area Agreement is increasingly significant for the Council in terms of funding and partnership structures. The development of the Leeds Strategic Plan will put the Local Area Agreement at the heart of delivering the Council's priorities for the city. Members will be engaged in considering, shaping and approving the Leeds Strategic Plan at each stage of its development.

#### **7.0 Recommendations**

- 7.1 It is recommended that the Outer East Area Committee

- Note the information contained in this report

## Appendix 1

## 2007/08 Local Area Agreement Funding

External Funding/Grant	Govt Dept	LCC Department	Revenue	Capital	Total
			£	£	£
<b><u>Children and Young People</u></b>					
Children's Services Grant	DfES	Children's Services	2,703,326		2,703,326
Children's Fund	DfES	Children's Services	2,092,599		2,092,599
Secondary Behaviour and Attendance	DfES	Education Leeds	125,800		125,800
Key Stage 3 – Central Coordination (SCC)	DfES	Education Leeds	331,663		331,663
Neighbourhood Support Fund	DfES	Children's Services	470,368		470,368
Positive Activities for Young People	DfES	Children's Services	518,421		518,421
Primary Strategy Central Coordination	DfES	Education Leeds	360,964		360,964
School Travel Advisors	DfES	City Development	84,000		84,000
School Development Grant (LA Retained Element)	DfES	Education Leeds	5,161,270		5,161,270
<b><u>Healthier Communities and Older People</u></b>					
<b><u>Safer and Stronger Communities</u></b>					
CR, DS, & ASB *	Home Office	Environ and Neigh	937,163	361,831	1,298,994
Respect **	Home Office	Environ and Neigh	230,000		230,000
Neighbourhood Element	CLG	Environ and Neigh	1,743,000		1,743,000
Cleaner, Safer, Greener Element (liveability)	CLG	Environ and Neigh	150,000	980,000	1,130,000
Waste Performance and Efficiency Grant	DEFRA	City Services	778,379	778,379	1,556,758
<b><u>Economic Development</u></b>					
Local Enterprise Growth Initiative (LEGI)	CLG	City Development	3,520,000	1,250,000	4,770,000
<b><u>Cross Cutting</u></b>					
Neighbourhood Renewal Fund	CLG	Head Office	14,938,567	0	14,938,567
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>34,145,520</b>	<b>3,370,210</b>	<b>37,515,730</b>

## Appendix 2: Membership of LAA Strategy Group, LAA Programme Management Board and Block Working Groups

### A. Membership of LAA Strategy Group

Name	Job Title	Organisation
<b>Paul Rogerson (Chair)</b>	<b>Chief Executive</b>	<b>Leeds City Council</b>
James Rogers	Chief Officer, Executive Support	Leeds City Council
Kathy Kudelnitzky	Director	The Leeds Initiative
Jane Daguerre	Director	Leeds Voice
Chris Edwards	Director	Education Leeds
Rosemary Archer	Director, Social Services	Leeds City Council
John Davies	Director, Learning and Leisure	Leeds City Council
Jean Dent	Director, Development	Leeds City Council
John England	Deputy Director, Social Services	Leeds City Council
Neil Evans	Director, Neighbourhoods and Housing	Leeds City Council
Geoff Dodd	Chief Superintendent	West Yorkshire Police
Steve Williamson	Chair, Narrowing the Gap Executive	The Leeds Initiative
Ian Hunter	District Manager	Jobcentre Plus
Ian Billyard	Principal	Leeds College of Building
Mike Bridge	Strategy Advisor	Yorkshire Forward
Richard Smith	Chief Executive	Connexions
Christine Outram	Chief Executive	Leeds PCT
Ian Cameron	Director of Public Health	Leeds PCT
Richard Mansell	Chief Executive	Leeds Chamber
Steve Crocker	Area Manager	Leeds City Council
Jane Stageman	LAA Project Manager	Leeds City Council
Isobel Mills	Director, People & Communities Group	Government Office for Yorkshire and the Humber
Kuldip Bharj	Member	BME Strategy Group

**B. Membership of the LAA Programme Management Board**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Job Title</b>	<b>Organisation</b>
<b>James Rogers (Chair)</b>	<b>Chief Officer – Executive Support</b>	<b>Leeds City Council</b>
Jane Stageman	LAA Coordinator	Leeds City Council
Sue Wynne	Head of Regeneration Policy and Planning	Leeds City Council
Jim Willson	Community Safety	Leeds City Council
Ian Cameron	Director of Public Health	Leeds Primary Care Trust
Mike Simpkin	Public Health Strategy Manager	Leeds City Council
Ken Morton	Locality Enabler – DCS Unit	Leeds City Council
Jody Sheppard	Programme Manager	Leeds Children’s Fund
Martin Dean	Programme Manager	Leeds Initiative
Paul Stephens	Chief Economic Services Officer	Leeds City Council
Marilyn Summers	Senior Performance Manager	Leeds City Council
Ratna Lachman	BME Strategy Group Representative	BME Strategy Group
Richard Norton	Project Director	Archways
Dinah Clarke	Programme Manager - Culture	Leeds Initiative
Clare Maidment	Principal Financial Manager	Leeds City Council
Patrick McGuckin	Senior Financial Manager	Leeds City Council
Dave Richmond	Area Manager – South Leeds	Leeds City Council
Rebecca Matthews	Locality Manager	Government Office for Yorkshire and the Humber
Anne McMaster	Senior Project Officer - Equalities	Leeds City Council
Dylan Griffiths	Policy Manager	Leeds City Council
Martyn Long	Policy Officer	Leeds City Council

**C: Performance Management Group**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Job Title</b>	<b>Organisation</b>
Marilyn Summers	Senior Performance Manager	Leeds City Council
Andrea Tara-Chand	Programme Manager	Leeds Initiative
Bridget Emery	Head of Strategic Commissioning	Leeds City Council
Jacky Pruckner	Geographic Research Officer	Leeds City Council
Mike Simpkin	Public Health Strategy Manager	Leeds City Council
Peter Storrie	Team Leader	Education Leeds
Simon Hodgson	Performance Manager	Safer Leeds
Lisa Parkin	Participation Manager	LeedsVoice
Ian Strickland	Senior Performance Officer	Leeds City Council
Sharon Moore	Senior Equality Officer	Leeds City Council
Stuart Cameron-Strickland	Senior Quality Performance Review Officer	Leeds City Council
Kiera Swift	Teenage Pregnancy Coordinator	Leeds City Council
Mike Kinnaird	Recreation Project Manager	Leeds City Council
Sarah Laidlow-Moore		West Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service
Alison France	Locality Manager	Jobcentre Plus
Nichola Stephens	Performance Manager	Leeds PCT
Fiona McAnespie	Senior Performance and Improvement Manager	Leeds City Council

**D. Membership of Block Working Groups****Children and Young People**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Job Title</b>	<b>Organisation</b>
<b>Ken Morton (Lead Officer)</b>	<b>Locality Enabler – DCS Unit</b>	<b>Education Leeds</b>
Jim Hopkinson	Youth Offending Service Manager	Leeds City Council
Dinah Clark	Programme Manager	Leeds Initiative
Nadid Rasool	BME Community Representative	BME Strategy Group
Sally Threlfall	Head of Early Years Service	Leeds City Council
Jody Sheppard	Programme Manager	Leeds Children's Fund
Frank O'Malley	Business Co-ordinator	Leeds Play Network
Richard Norton	Project Director	Archways
Lisa Oxley	Children and Young People Services Forum Co-ordinator	Leeds Voice
Clive Robinson	Leeds Learning Partnership Coordinator	Leeds City Council
Shaid Mahmood	Partnership Manager	Connexions West Yorkshire
John Paxton	Head of Youth Service, Learning and Leisure	Leeds City Council
Jane Stageman	LAA Project Manager	Leeds City Council



<b>Healthier Communities and Older People – Older People Workstream</b>		
<b>Name</b>	<b>Job Title</b>	<b>Organisation</b>
<b>Mike Simpkin (Lead Officer)</b>	<b>Public Health Strategy Manager</b>	<b>Leeds City Council</b>
Steve Blighton	Benefits Manager	Leeds City Council
Tony Callaghan	Project Officer	Leeds City Council
Stuart Cameron-Strickland	Senior Quality Performance Review Officer	Leeds City Council
Steve Carey	Head of Leeds Benefits Service	Leeds City Council
Christine Farrar	Programme Manager	Leeds Initiative
Julie Hatton	Head of Passenger Transport	Leeds City Council
Bronwen Holden	Planning Officer	Leeds City Council
Kathryn Ingold	Health Promotion Coordinator	Leeds Primary Care Trust
Alan Jones	Fuelsavers Manager	Leeds City Council
Joy Marshall	Planning Manager - Adults	Leeds City Council
Stefan Taylor	Physical Activity Manager	Leeds City Council
Ant Hanlon	BME Community Representative	BME Strategy Group
Mick Ward	Modernisation Manager	Leeds City Council
Kerry Dabb	Local Service Manager	Department for Work and Pensions
Caroline Frankland	Development Worker	Leeds Older People's Forum
Naomi Morrill	Health Forum Coordinator	Leeds Voice
Lisa Parkin	Participation Manager	Leeds Voice

<b>Healthier Communities and Older People – Employability Workstream</b>		
<b>Name</b>	<b>Job Title</b>	<b>Organisation</b>
<b>Ian Cameron (Lead Officer)</b>	<b>Director of Public Health</b>	<b>Leeds Primary Care Trust</b>
Alison Shaffner	Centre Manager	Leeds City Council
Julie Rogers	Head of Clinical Services – MSK	Leeds Primary Care Trust
Caroline Bamford	Convenor	Leeds Mental Health Employment Consortium
Diana Towler	Business Development Manager	Job Centre Plus
Nisreen Alwan	Specialist Registrar in Public Health	Leeds Primary Care Trust
Steve Brennan	NHS	Leeds Primary Care Trust
Ant Hanlon	BME Community Representative	BME Strategy Group
Val Snowden	Head of Jobs and Skills	Leeds City Council
Martyn Long	Policy Officer	Leeds City Council
Mick Ward	Modernisation Manager	Leeds City Council

<b>Safer and Stronger Communities</b>		
<b>Name</b>	<b>Job Title</b>	<b>Organisation</b>
<b>Sue Wynne (Lead Officer)</b>	<b>Head of Regeneration Policy and Planning</b>	<b>Leeds City Council</b>
Jim Willson	Drug Action Team	Leeds City Council
Richard Jackson	Chief Superintendent	West Yorkshire Police
Dave Sherborne		
Richard Hart	Policy and Performance Manager	Leeds City Council
Helen Finister	Chief Officer – Streetscene	Leeds City Council
Sally Coe	Programme Manager	Leeds City Council
Jim Hopkinson	Youth Offending Service Manager	Leeds City Council
Bridgette Emery	Head of Strategic Commissioning	Leeds City Council
Marilyn Summers	Senior Performance Manager	Leeds City Council
Andy Mills	Head of Service – Community Safety	Leeds City Council
Sarah Laidlow-Moore		West Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service
John Paxton	Head of Youth Service	Leeds City Council
Jane Daguerre	Director	Leeds Voice
Ratna Lachman	BME Community Representative	BME Strategy Group

<b>Economic Development and Enterprise</b>		
<b>Name</b>	<b>Job Title</b>	<b>Organisation</b>
<b>Martin Dean (Lead Officer)</b>	<b>Senior Programme Manager (key supporting officer)</b>	<b>Leeds Initiative</b>
<b>Paul Stephens (Lead Officer)</b>	<b>Chief economic Services Officer</b>	<b>Leeds City Council</b>
Dinah Clark	Principal Policy and performance Officer, Learning and Leisure	Leeds City Council
Diana Towler	External Relations Manager	Jobcentre Plus
Val Snowden	Head of Jobs and Skills, Learning and Leisure	Leeds City Council
Dylan Griffiths	Policy Manager	Leeds City Council
David Hoggarth	Assistant Director for Development	West Yorkshire Metro
David Roberts	Senior Project Officer	Leeds City Council