



Report of the North East Area Manager

North East (Inner) Area Committee

Date: 15th October 2007

Subject: North East District Partnership update

Electoral Wards Affected:

Chapel Allerton
Moortown
Roundhay

Ward members consulted
(referred to in this report)

Specific Implications For:

Ethnic minorities
Women
Disabled people
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

Executive Summary

This report provides Members with a summary of recent actions and achievements of the North East District Partnership.

Background Information

1. This report has been prepared at the request of the Area Committee Chairs and Executive Board of the North East District Partnership. It provides a summary of key issues and the work programme of the North East District Partnership and decisions taken by the Executive Board.

Significant action and achievements since the last Area Committee meeting

2. At the last meeting on 28th September, the Chair of the Narrowing the Gap Executive and Chief Regeneration officer outlined proposed changes to the District Partnerships. In response to restructures and a change in administrative boundaries in the Police, PCT and ALMOs, consideration has been given to the future of area based partnership working arrangements. In addition Area Management is in the process of moving from five to three teams. The Narrowing the Gap Executive has co-ordinated a number of discussions on the implications of these changes and submitted a report to its meeting on 28th September.
3. In addition to boundary changes, consideration is being given to other key issues that impact on the future of area based working. Elected members of the Council have expressed a view that they are not sufficiently engaged with District Partnerships. In addition the existence of two separate planning processes at a local level, the Area Delivery Plans and the District Action Plans are seen to add to this, and the emerging Leeds Strategic Plan identifies the Area Delivery Plan as a key focus for the achievement of its strategic outcomes at a local level. On the basis of consultation and these contextual issues, a set of options for the future of District Partnerships have been proposed and presented to the meeting of the Narrowing the Gap on 28th September. The outcomes of this meeting will be reported to the Chairs of the District Partnerships.
4. A presentation on the Leeds Strategic Plan was delivered. Members of the Executive Board of the North East District Partnership were asked to comment on the draft priorities. These comments will be written up by the Area Management Team and submitted as part of the formal consultation
5. A presentation on the work of the PCT in the North East and an update on actions in the Healthier Communities and Older People section of the district plan was delivered. Specific work is being undertaken in response to the Choosing Health priorities. These are in relation to teenage pregnancy and the Tobacco Action Strategy. The PCT have also developed a multi-disciplinary action that contributes to the city-wide Fuel Savers Strategy. They are working with organisations such as MAECare and Meanwood Elders and are raising awareness and sending information out on fuel poverty on the back of the flu vaccination campaign.
6. The Health and Social Care Partnership has not met for eight months. It was agreed that the future of this partnership is considered at the next meeting on 9th November and in context of proposals for the future of the North East District Partnership.
7. Executive Board members of the North East District Partnership supported the bid to the Heritage Lottery Fund for the Chapeltown Townscape Heritage Initiative. This includes:
 - The extension of the Chapeltown conservation area
 - The bid for funds from LCC for public area improvements
 - and stakeholders who attended the North East District Partnership conferences.

Recommendations

- 8 Members are requested to note the recent actions and achievements and provide comment as appropriate.