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Report of the North East Area Manager

North East (Inner) Area Committee

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Subject: North East District Partnership update

Electoral Wards Affected: Chapel Allerton Moortown	Specific Implications For: Ethnic minorities
Roundhay	Women
	Disabled people
	Narrowing the Gap
Council Delegated Executive Function Function for Call In	X 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

 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 its meeting on 8th December, the current Chair of the North East District Partnership, the Chief Executive of Leeds North East Homes, advised that due to the re-organisation of the ALMO she was unable to continue in her role as Chair. Councillor Matthew Lobley was nominated as the new Chair and accepted this position.
- 3. A review of the North East District Partnership action plan is currently being undertaken. In response to the review, an updated version of the action plan will be produced to ensure that the actions undertaken in 2007 onwards continue to be the right set of actions to meet the needs of the district. Priorities identified in the revised plan centre around the following four thematic blocks of the Local Area Agreement(LAA).
 - children and young people
 - healthier communities and older people
 - safer and stronger communities
 - economic development and enterprise
- 4. The LAA has a number of cross cutting principles and it is proposed that the action plan has an additional block to reflect this. Priorities have been identified in the plan under the heading of "Making things happen".
- 5. The LAA provides the opportunity to secure improved relationships between local partners in a way that supports the delivery of the Vision for Leeds and to make real progress against key priorities. It is proposed that the revised district plan will provide;
 - a strategic framework for satellite partnerships to develop their own plans and actions;
 - a set of actions for the North East District Partnership Executive Board;
 - a set of operating principles for all partners who work under the auspices of the North East District Partnership;
 - opportunities for greater effectiveness and efficiency through shared resources and joint business planning and commissioning
- 6. The revision of the plan has been undertaken in consultation with the North East Area Committees and a meeting took place on 22nd January to allow Members to consider the priorities and actions identified in the plan. Members' comments from this meeting will be considered and incorporated in to a final draft to be submitted to the District Partnership Executive Board on 23rd February. The review process is expected to conclude in February 2007 with Executive Board and Narrowing the Gap Board approval. The Executive Board approved draft will form the basis of the Fourth District Partnership conference to be held in Spring 2007.

7. At its meeting on 8th December 2006, the North East District Partnership Executive Board confirmed their commitment to tackling fuel poverty further to the recommendations of the Chair of the Narrowing the Gap Executive. Fuel poverty and the implementation of the city-wide Fuel Poverty Strategy in the North East have been prioritised as a key issue in the revised District Plan.

Recommendations

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