



NOTTINGHAMSHIRE LOCAL AREA AGREEMENT BRIEFING

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Welcome to the November briefing on the Nottinghamshire LAA. The briefing is designed to update you on the progress and latest activities around the LAA and keep you informed about forthcoming meetings. A contact list of respective block partners as well as diary of 2007 meetings and events can be viewed on the Nottinghamshire Partnership website at www.nottinghamshirepartnership.org.uk

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Establishing Future LAA Priorities

The Nottinghamshire Partnership aims to ensure that the negotiated targets in the new LAA reflect the Partnership's ambitions for the County.

Work has been undertaken by the four LAA Blocks Leads and partners to gather suitable economic, demographic and anecdotal evidence to support the inclusion of the priorities in the new LAA.

The 12 performance "stretch" targets and the associated performance reward grant that were part of the 2006 LAA will continue to the end of March 2009.

The diagram below "This is Nottinghamshire" shows the areas of work that were prioritised. These priorities have been agreed by partners.



“ This is Nottinghamshire
 We are proud of our past and ambitious for our future.
 Ambitious for our people, the places they live and work, and for the pride there is in their environment and community.
 To achieve these ambitions we will concentrate on narrowing the gaps in different communities, focus on making a difference, seeking improvement for all and working in partnership to be better. ”

Negotiating the new LAA

Negotiations with Government Office for the East Midlands (GOEM) have now started to agree the priorities and performance measures for Nottinghamshire.

Over the summer GOEM has been undertaking work of it’s own in order to establish what it considers to be the priorities for Nottinghamshire. It was agreed at the LAA Management Group meeting in September to establish a ‘Core Negotiating Group’. The “Core Negotiating Group” will resolve any issues that arise from the “Detailed Negotiating Group”. The “Detailed Negotiating Group” has been established to commence negotiations with GOEM to negotiate the maximum of 35 performance measures for the new LAA.

Membership of both the core and detailed negotiating groups is contained in a report entitled “Priorities for the new LAA” This report can be found in the “LAA Documents” tab on the LAA section of the Nottinghamshire Partnership website.

The report “Priorities for the new LAA” was presented at the October meeting of the LAA Management Group. It details the work undertaken in establishing an agreed set of priorities for the new LAA.

Statutory Performance Indicators in the new LAA

In addition to the maximum 35 agreed performance measures in the new LAA, there will be 16 mandatory performance measures around Children and Young People.

These 16 measures have been now published and are summarised below:

- Achievement of at least 78 points across the Early Years Foundation Stage with at least 6 in each of the scales in Personal Social and Emotional Development and Communication, Language and Literacy
- Achievement at level 4 or above in both English and Maths at Key Stage 2
- Achievement at level 5 or above in both English and Maths at Key Stage 3
- Achievement of 5 or more A*-C grades at GCSE or equivalent including English and Maths
- Achievement at level 5 or above in Science at Key Stage 3
- Secondary school persistent absence rate
- Narrowing the gap between the lowest achieving 20% in the Early Years Foundation Stage Profile and the rest
- Progression by 2 levels in English between Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2
- Progression by 2 levels in Maths between Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2
- Progression by 2 levels in English between Key Stage 2 and Key Stage 3
- Progression by 2 levels in Maths between Key Stage 2 and Key Stage 3
- Progression by 2 levels in English between Key Stage 3 and Key Stage 4
- Progression by 2 levels in Maths between Key Stage 3 and Key Stage 4
- Children in care reaching level 4 in English at Key Stage 2
- Children in care reaching level 4 in Maths at Key Stage 2
- Children in care achieving 5 A*-C GCSEs (or equivalent) at Key Stage 4 (including English and Maths)

Timetable and milestones for the new Nottinghamshire LAA

At a meeting with GOEM in October the following timetable to the end of the year was agreed:

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| Tuesday 2 nd October | Block Leads |
| Wednesday 3 rd October | Area Working Group |
| Thursday 4 th October | Strategic Partnership Board First discussion with GOEM on the up to 35 measures |
| Tuesday 9 th October | Finance and Commissioning Working Group |
| Wednesday 10 th October | Stronger Communities Board |
| Friday 12 th October | Informal meeting with GOEM to agree the process for negotiations |
| Wednesday 17 th October | Cabinet report on LAA finance |
| Wednesday 17 th October 2pm in the Exchange | Block Leads – matching priorities with measures |
| Monday 29 th October | First meeting of the core negotiation team and GOEM |
| Tuesday 30 th October | LAA Management Group |
| Wednesday 31 st October | Member consultation |
| Friday 2 nd November | Strategic Partnership Board |
| Tuesday 6 th November 2pm in the Exchange | Detailed negotiation meeting with GOEM |
| Thursday 8 th November | Performance Managers from across the partnership meet to discuss the measures |
| Tuesday 20 th November | LAA Management Group |
| Friday 23 rd November | Block Leads |
| Friday 23 rd November | District Leaders meet |
| Tuesday 27 th November 12.30 in the Leader's office | Core Negotiating Group meeting |
| Thursday 29 th November 9am County Hall | Detailed negotiation meeting with GOEM |
| Tuesday 4 th December | Block Leads |
| Friday 7 th December | Strategic Partnership Board |
| Monday 10 th December (re-arranged from the 26/11) | Regional Road show |
| Monday 10 th December 9am in the Leader's office | Core LAA negotiation team meet with GOEM |
| Wednesday 12 th December | LAA Management Group |
| Friday 14 th December | District Leaders meet |
| Tuesday 18 th December | Strategic Partnership Board |

This timetable is currently being amended to accommodate a series of additional meetings being planned through to March 2008

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