

TITLE	Local Area Agreement 2008-11 Refresh Document
FOR CONSIDERATION BY	Special Council Executive Committee on 26 March 2009
WARD	None specific
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LEAD MEMBER	Dianne King, Executive Member for Community Development

PURPOSE OF REPORT

To formally sign off the first annual refresh document of the Local Area Agreement 2008-11. The refreshed targets contained in the document have been negotiated between local lead officers within the Council and/ or other lead agencies such as Thames Valley Police and Berkshire West Primary Care Trust and the Government Office South East.
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RECOMMENDATIONS

Council is recommended by the Executive to accept and adopt the refreshed Local Area Agreement targets as set out in Appendix B to the report for submission to GOSE before the end of March 2009.
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SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Background

The Wokingham Borough Local Area Agreement 2008-11, originally signed off in May 2008, encompassed a commitment to deliver improvement in performance against 46 National Indicators. 16 of these indicators were mandatory education targets, but 33 were selected by the council and its partners because of their fit with the seventeen agreed priorities for the Borough under four Community Ambitions, all of which are set out in Appendix A.

Targets were agreed for many of these National Indicators, but in some cases, the setting of targets had to be delayed, primarily due to factors such as waiting for specific data to be available to establish baselines, and in some cases government guidance on how indicators should be measured was not available. It was agreed that any outstanding baseline and targets data should be completed in time for the sign off of the first annual refresh at the end of March 2009.
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In recent months lead WBC and partner officers have been in negotiation with GOSE contacts to agree the outstanding baselines and target data against which our performance will be measured and monitored.

A special performance meeting of the Wokingham Borough Strategic Partnership (WBSP) was held in December 08 to manage LAA progress in the first year; performance management is a high priority for the partnership and strengthened
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arrangements are being put in place.

The document attached at Appendix B sets out all baselines and targets for indicators contained in the LAA 2008-11, including those already agreed to in April 2008, and those which have been updated as part of this first refresh process described above.

Please note: *At date of submission to meet Executive/ Council Paper deadlines, WBC and our partners were still in negotiation with or awaiting feedback from Government Offices with regard to targets for 5 of these indicators. In order to ensure our response to requests for changes in targets has been properly considered, an updated version of Appendix B will be tabled at the meeting on 26th March with complete information.*

Analysis of Issues

Each of the targets affected by the refresh have negotiated between lead officers and GOSE representatives, and should already have been discussed with Executive Members by the individual officers involved.

Corporate Implications

Delivery against LAA targets will involve a variety of Council and partner services, and it is expected that delivery will be resourced from existing service budgets. Equality Impact assessments are to be carried out against each Priority Outcome detailed in Appendix A.

Reasons for Decision

The LAA refresh document must be formally approved by Wokingham Borough Council, prior to sign off by GOSE at the end of March 2009.

Alternative Options considered, if any

None

Reasons for considering the report in Part 2

N/a

List of Background Papers

Wokingham Borough Local Area Agreement 2008-11

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Wokingham Local Area Agreement 2008-11 Priorities for the Borough

Balancing Economic Prosperity with a Sustainable Quality of Life

1. Sustaining Economic Prosperity
2. Environmental Sustainability
3. Supporting Culture
4. Keeping the Borough Moving
5. Supporting the Third Sector
6. Affordable Housing
7. Neighbourhood Services / Community Facilities to Meet Community Needs

Being a Community Where Everyone feels Safe, Welcome and Respected

8. Reducing Crime and Anti-Social Behaviour
9. Community Empowerment

Being a Health and Well Educated Community

10. Educational Attainment
11. Reducing Health Inequalities
12. Reducing Obesity
13. Reducing the Harm Caused by Alcohol

Supporting and Caring for People that Need Help

14. Protecting Children in Care
15. Supporting Vulnerable Children and their Families
16. Supporting and Engaging our Ageing Population
17. Housing Needs for Vulnerable Groups

Appendix B

WOKINGHAM BOROUGH LOCAL AREA AGREEMENT 2008-2011
Refreshed National Indicator Baselines and Targets as at 16 March 2009

Key to shading in indicator column:

G = Green = Change complete

A = Amber = Change to be tabled at Executive/ Special Council Meeting on 26 March 2009.

Priority (Refer to Appendix A for key)	Green or Amber	Indicator(s), including those from national indicator set (shown with a *)	Baseline	LAA Improvement Target, including those to be designated (shown with a *), and including education and early years targets			Partners who have signed-up to the target and any which are acting as lead partner/s (shown with a *)
				08/09	09/10	10/11	
7 4	A	NI 5* Overall satisfaction with the local area (Placeholder)	87.8%	Still awaiting feedback from CLG on proposed targets. Expected w/c 16 March Target negotiations delayed by release of weighted Place Survey data by Audit Commission. Target to be set at level of statistically significant measurable change on Place Survey Baseline, with option to review in 2009.			Wokingham Borough Council*, Wokingham Borough Strategic Partnership
5	G	NI 7* Environment for a Thriving Third sector	14.4% (296 respondents, 56% response rate).	A measurable improvement, calculated in accordance with published OTS guidance. Based on the results of the 2008 national survey of third sector organisations, it is estimated that the required improvement in Wokingham will be 4.1 percentage points. This remains an estimate. The final target will be confirmed once the 2010 national survey of third sector organisations has reported.		4.1% increase on baseline	Voluntary Action Wokingham Borough*, Wokingham Borough Council, Thames Valley Police, Primary Care Trust, Royal Berkshire Fire & Rescue WBSP

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12	G	NI 8* Adult participation in sport	25.6%	27.6%	28.1%	29.6%	Wokingham Borough Council*, Primary Care Trust, Sports Council, Leisure Connections, Berkshire Sport WBSP
3	G	NI 11* Engagement in the arts	49.9%	0.5% increase on baseline	1.5% increase on baseline	3% increase on baseline	Wokingham Borough Council*, Cultural Partnership* WBSP
8	G	NI 18* Adult re-offending rates for those under probation supervision	0	66 offenders - RR 7.91%	59 offenders - RR 7.07% <i>may need adjusting at next refresh</i>	51 offenders - RR 6.12%	Thames Valley Police*, Wokingham Borough Council, Probation Service WBSP
8	A	NI 21* Dealing with local concerns about anti-social behaviour and crime by the local council and police	28.7 %	<i>Target to be set will be at a level of statistically significant measurable change between the first and second Place Surveys.</i>		8.2% increase on Baseline <i>Awaiting confirmation of agreed target</i>	Thames Valley Police*, Wokingham Borough Council, Royal Berkshire Fire & Rescue Service WBSP

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8	G	NI 30* Re-offending rate of prolific and priority offenders	Yr1 08/09: 64 offences (Cohort of 12 PPOs) April 07- Mar 08) Yr2 09/10: 39 Offences (Cohort of 9 PPOs, Oct 07- Sept 08) Yr3 2010/11 (baseline year to be confirmed)	15% reduction in offences from Y1 baseline (no more than 54 offences)	16% reduction in offences from Yr 2 baseline (no more than 33 offences)	Target will be arrived at by applying the common ratio 1.10 to the performance ceiling % target identified after the cohort has been refreshed	Thames Valley Police*, Wokingham Borough Council*, Probation Service* PCT, DAT, CPS WBSP
8	A	NI 32* Repeat incidents of domestic violence	31% baseline proposed by GOSE is being challenged	N/a	28%	28%	Thames Valley Police*, Primary Care Trust, Wokingham Borough Council, Probation Service WBSP
13	G	NI 39* Alcohol-harm related hospital admission rates (per 100,000 population)	839	933	1,066	1,196	Primary Care Trust*, Thames Valley Police, Wokingham Borough Council, Royal Berkshire Fire & Rescue Service WBSP

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8	G	NI 49* Number of primary fires and related fatalities and non-fatal casualties, excluding precautionary checks CLG DSO Number of (i) primary fires and (ii) related fatalities and (iii) non-fatal casualties, excluding precautionary checks i. & iii. Baseline = 2005/6 to 2007/8 ii. Baseline = 2007/8	(1.) 417.00 (139.00 per year) (2.) 0.64 (3.) 13.63 (4.54 per year)	(1.) 127.88 (2.) 0 3.) 3.91	(1.) 127.88 (2.) 0 3.) 3.91	(1.) 127.88 (3 yr total: 383.64) (2.) 0.64 3.) 3.91 (3 yr total: 11.73)	Royal Berkshire Fire & Rescue Service* WBSP
11	G	NI 50* Emotional health of children PSA 12	60.4% (TellUs 3 Survey 2008)	N/a	65.7%	75.7%	Wokingham Borough Council*, Primary Care Trust* WBSP
12		NI 56* Obesity among primary school age children in Year 6 (75% confidence interval agreed)	12.72%	12.7%	12.6%	12.5%	Wokingham Borough Council*, Primary Care Trust* WBSP
14		NI 60* Core assessments for children's social care that were carried out within 35 working days of their commencement DCSF DSO	118 out of 162 = 72.8%	78%	81%	87%	Wokingham Borough Council* WBSP
14		NI 62* Stability of placements of looked after children: number of moves DCSF DSO	12 out of 69 = 17% (06/07 = 22%)	16%	15%	14%	Wokingham Borough Council* WBSP

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8	G	NI 110* Young people's participation in positive activities PSA 14	79.4%	N/a	84.4	89.4	Wokingham Borough Council* Royal Berkshire Fi & Rescue Service WBSP
8	G	NI 111* First time entrants to the Youth Justice System aged 10 – 17 (Rate per 100,000)	990 (2007/8)	970	950	930	Wokingham Borough Council*, Thames Valley Police, Royal Berkshire Fire & Rescue Service WBSP
11	A	NI 121* Mortality rate from all circulatory diseases at ages under 75 (per 100,000 population) DH DSO	2005-7 average: 54.7 (2005= 53.44; 2006= 60.29; 2007= 50.49)	44.1	41.4	39.0	Primary Care Trust*, Wokingham Borough Council WBSP
16	G	NI 125* Achieving independence for older people through rehabilitation/ intermediate care PLACE HOLDER	Baseline data unavailable until 09/10 Financial Year	N/a	N/a	Targets to be set at refresh NB: will sit outside of the reward funding	Wokingham Borough Council*, Primary Care Trust WBSP
17		NI 132* Timeliness of social care assessment DH DSO	61%	75%	80%	85%	Wokingham Borough Council* WBSP
16	A	NI 139* The extent to which older people received the support they need to live independently at home Note: No baseline available until initial survey has been undertaken and set from survey Oct 2008	24%	N/a	+5% on baseline	+10% on baseline being confirmed with GOSE	Wokingham Borough Council*, PCT, Royal Berkshire Fire & Rescue Service WBSP

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15		NI 142* Number of vulnerable people who are supported to maintain independent living PSA 17 <i>Target is to maintain high performance overall (95% +) Variation occurs in different groups and those in fixed tenancies tend to be more successful than those in non-accommodation based services.</i>	93.95% (699/744) 2006/7	95%	95.5%	96%	Wokingham Borough Council*, Primary Care Trust* Royal Berkshire Fire Rescue Service WBSP
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17	A	NI 145* Adults with learning disabilities in settled accommodation PSA 16	52.6% (211/401) 2006/7 – proxy baseline data. Actual data for 08/09 FY tbc	N/a	+2.5% on baseline	+ 5% from baseline GOSE requesting further 1% stretch	Wokingham Borough Council* WBSP
6	G	NI 154* Net additional homes provided PSA 20	0 <i>NB: Targets are Revised figures pending GOSE/ Member approval</i>	372	190	177	Wokingham Borough Council* WBSP
6	G	NI 155* Number of affordable homes delivered (gross) PSA 20	0 <i>NB: Targets are Revised figures pending GOSE/ Member approval</i>	88	39	88	Wokingham Borough Council* WBSP
1		NI 163* Working age population qualified to at least Level 2 or higher PSA 2	82.6% (2006)	1.3% increase from baseline	1.8% increase from baseline	2.3% increase from baseline	Wokingham Borough Council* WBSP

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1		NI 164* Working age population qualified to at least Level 3 or higher PSA 2	65.3% (2006)	2.7% increase from baseline	3.7% increase from baseline	4.7% increase from baseline	Wokingham Borough Council* WBSP
1	G	NI 171* VAT registration rate <i>NB: This data may be superseded post March 09 Refresh date by a Berkshire- wide performance target. This matter is currently under development</i>	66.5	N/a –Baseline set in Year 1	63.3	66.5	Wokingham Borough Council*; Business Link Berkshire WBSP
4	G	NI 175* Access to services and facilities by public transport, walking and cycling: Proportion of population within 15minutes travel of a GP surgery by non-car means.	Baseline (07/08) - 68.0%	68.8%	69.6%	70.4%	Wokingham Borough Council* Reading Buses WBSP
2	G	NI 185* CO2 reduction from Local Authority operations PSA 27	Baseline data not available until May 2009 (Dependent on release of National Data)	N/a	4% reduction on Baseline	8% reduction on Baseline	Wokingham Borough Council* WBSP
2		NI 193 Municipal waste land filled DEFRA DSO	59 %	59%	50%	40%	Wokingham Borough Council* SITA* WBSP
2		NI 195b* Improved street and environmental cleanliness (levels of graffiti, litter, detritus and fly posting) Defra DSO	15 %	13 %	12 %	11 %	Wokingham Borough Council* WBSP

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4	G	NI 198* Children travelling to school – mode of travel usually used	33.4%	32.4%	31.4%	30.4%	Wokingham Borough Council* Schools Boards & Governors WBSP
9	G	WBSP 1 Civic participation in the local area	1820	N/a	10% increase on baseline	20% increase on baseline	Wokingham Borough Council* WBSP

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Statutory DCSF Indicators ineligible for LAA performance reward calculations

10	G	NI 72** 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 PSA 10	28.7	38.60	44.00	Target to be agreed at next refresh	Wokingham Borough Council* WBSP
10	G	NI 73** Achievement at level 4 or above in both English and Maths at Key Stage 2 (Threshold) PSA 10	79	86	86	Target to be agreed at next refresh	Wokingham Borough Council* WBSP
10	G	NI 75 ** Achievement of 5 or more A*-C grades at GCSE or equivalent including English and Maths (Threshold) PSA 10	57.6%	69.40%	69.50%	Target to be agreed at next refresh	Wokingham Borough Council* WBSP

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10	G	NI 87** Secondary school persistent absence rate DCSF DSO	5.50%	5.0%	4.5%	Target to be agreed at next refresh	Wokingham Borough Council* WBSP
10	G	NI 92** Narrowing the gap between the lowest achieving 20% in the Early Years Foundation Stage Profile and the rest PSA 11	39.5%	30.40%	28.26%	Target to be agreed at next refresh	Wokingham Borough Council* WBSP
10	G	NI 93** Progression by 2 levels in English between Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 PSA 11	88.6%	97%	97%	Target to be agreed at next refresh	Wokingham Borough Council* WBSP
10	G	NI 94** Progression by 2 levels in Maths between Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 PSA 11	78.4%	95%	95%	Target to be agreed at next refresh	Wokingham Borough Council* WBSP
10	G	NI 99** Children in care reaching level 4 in English at Key Stage 2 PSA 11	0 out of 2	No eligible children	1 of 2 eligible children	Target to be agreed at next refresh	Wokingham Borough Council* WBSP
10	G	NI 100** Children in care reaching level 4 in Maths at Key Stage 2 PSA 11	0 out of 2	No eligible children	0 of 2 eligible children	Target to be agreed at next refresh	Wokingham Borough Council* WBSP
10	G	NI 101** Children in care achieving 5 A*-C GCSEs (or equivalent) at Key Stage 4 (including English and Maths) PSA 11	0 out of 7	20% (1 out of 5)	3 of 7 eligible children	Target to be agreed at next refresh	Wokingham Borough Council* WBSP

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Indicators that have become obsolete:

The following indicators have been removed from our current LAA due to changes in Government policy which have rendered them obsolete through the removal of Key Stage 3 SATs from the national testing curriculum.

			08/09	09/10	10/11	
10	NI 074 Achievement at level 5 or above in both English and Maths at Key Stage 3 (Threshold) PSA 10	78	86	N/a	N/a	Wokingham Borough Council* WBSP
10	NI 083** Achievement at level 5 or above in Science at Key Stage 3 DCSF DSO	82	89	N/a	N/a	Wokingham Borough Council* WBSP
10	NI 095** Progression by 2 levels in English between Key Stage 2 and Key Stage 3 PSA 11	30.8	47	N/a	N/a	Wokingham Borough Council* WBSP
10	NI 096 Progression by 2 levels in Maths between Key Stage 2 and Key Stage 3 PSA 11	71.5	78	N/a	N/a	Wokingham Borough Council* WBSP
10	NI 097 Progression by 2 levels in English between Key Stage 3 and Key Stage 4 PSA 11	62.3	77.7	N/a	N/a	Wokingham Borough Council* WBSP
10	NI 098 Progression by 2 levels in Maths between Key Stage 3 and Key Stage 4 PSA 11	33.0	46.4	N/a	N/a	Wokingham Borough Council* WBSP

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