

## East Sussex LAA Delivery Plan



East Sussex Strategic Partnership

<b>National Indicator:</b>	<b>NIS No: 4</b>				
	<b>NI 4: % of people who feel they can influence decisions in their locality</b>				
<b>Performance:</b>	<b>Baseline</b>	<b>08/09</b>	<b>09/10</b>	<b>10/11</b>	
			<b>Target set based on Place survey</b>		
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<b>Steering Group/ Partnership:</b>					
<b>Specific Sub Targets:</b>					

<b>Links with Other Plans:</b>		
<b>Risks/Barriers:</b>	<b>Risk/Barrier</b>	<b>Mitigating Action</b>
	1. Indicator based on Place Survey perception indicator – difficult to influence.	Positive PR and ‘good news’ stories may influence people in run up to the survey taking place. Consider sending pre-survey letter in advance of 2010/11 Place Survey.
	2. Impact and implications of White Paper “Communities in Control – Real People Real Power” are not fully known	Review target and actions when position and implications clearer
	3. Limited powers of Councils to change what is happening. The economic climate will make people feel more powerless.	Using website and Council magazine etc. to signpost residents to help/advise etc. Working in partnership, where appropriate, to address the issues.
<b>Resources:</b>		

*Indicator Leads should list of **ALL** activities undertaken by partners which will contribute to the successful achievement of the National indicator. Not all activities will relate specifically to the targets(s) used; where they do they should be identified. All partners will need to provide evidence which shows their activity is being achieved.*

<b>Activity</b>	<b>Timescale</b>	<b>Interim Measure + frequency of measurement</b>	<b>Partner</b>	<b>Named link</b>
<b>Responding to the Empowerment agenda</b>				
Ensure our current practices meet the 'Duty to Involve'	From October 2008 onwards		All	
Activities developed in response to the Communities in Control White Paper	September 2008 onwards		All	
Consider the Participatory Budgeting National Strategy.	August 2008 and ongoing		All	
New scheme of Devolved Budgets for Ward Councillors	From April 08 & ongoing	Process in place to action work. Review report at end of 08/09 year	Eastbourne Borough Council	Peter Finnis 01323 504113
Joint, Sussex Improvement Partnership (SIP) funded consultation and customer insight project. Using customer insight to understand our residents, developing a shared scheduler, shared training, best practice etc.	2008 onwards	Quarterly update reports to East Sussex Chief Executives	All District and Borough Councils, ESCC and East Sussex Fire and Rescue Service	Amanda Watson 01273 481339

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<b>Member Training</b>				
Ongoing commitment to Councillor training and development including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o community leadership</li> <li>o Member induction</li> <li>o Personal development plans</li> <li>o The role of councillors</li> <li>o Consultant and community engagement</li> </ul>	ongoing		All	
Commitment where possible to co-ordinate Member training across Councils	Ongoing		All	
SIP Member development event community leadership and joint working.	September 2008	Feedback from the event will inform individual council training plans and the SIP Change Management and Leadership work stream for 2009/10	All	Amanda Watson 01273 481339
<b>Making local government more accessible and increase voting – influencing decisions made on residents behalf by councillors</b>				
Coordinated plan to increase postal voting, voter registration and turnout through specific advertising campaigns	2008/09	Increased uptake	All	

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Contact Us features on website	ongoing	Number of uses	All	
Ask the Leader on website	Ongoing	Number of uses	Rother District Council, Wealden District Council, Hastings Borough Council	
Modernisation of Council Meetings as a result of consultation with residents.	From Council motion dated 30 April 2008	Phase 1 – removal of regalia – implemented Phase 2 – Adoption of simplified debating protocols – implemented Phase 3 – move to more accessible venue – procurement project in hand – target conclusion Autumn 08	Eastbourne Borough Council	Peter Finnis 01323 504113
Conduct of Governance Review in response to Parish Council petition	Referendum ballot scheduled for October 08	Report to Council following referendum	Eastbourne Borough Council, Lewes District Council	
Events held around Local Democracy	September–October 2008		All	
Work to promote County Council election in 2009 including open session for	November – June	Set benchmark for turnout, against other County Councils at	ESCC	Mary Clarke

potential councillors.		election June 2009		
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Support local parish councils to obtain Quality Parish Council status	Ongoing		Wealden District Council, Lewes District Council	
Constitutional arrangements for petitions to be presented at full Council meetings (subject to legislative changes Dec 08).	Ongoing	Number of petitions. Minuted at Full Council	All	
Opportunities for the public to speak at Full Council and Planning Committee meetings	Ongoing		All	
Village maintenance teams - carry out work directed by all parish councils for between two and five days per parish. Work includes painting and cleaning signs, cutting back vegetation and repairs to local facilities.	Ongoing		ESCC	
Identifying jobs to complement the Council's maintenance plan where there is not a specific budget. Work is carried out by young offenders.	Ongoing		Lewes District Council	Liz Lacon 01273 484141

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Participation team – Children’s Services - Youth Cabinet elections and voting on key priorities – impact on decision making and influencing the Children and Young People’s Plan (CYPP)	Ongoing		ESCC	Brendan McGowan 01273 476185
Youth Engagement through youth councils/forums/parliament	Ongoing		All	
W4Y - involving and communicating with young people.	Ongoing		Wealden District Council	Tom Stuart 01323 443186
Rural Youth Conference	20 October 2008		Rother DC, Lewes DC. Wealden DC	
<b>Consultation – encouraging and enabling input into decision making processes</b>				
Joint Place Survey for East Sussex & gap analysis of results	September onwards	Results February 2009	All	
Establish geographical residents’ focus groups to support engagement, consultation and partnership working.	September 2009		Lewes District Council	Liz Lacon 01273 484141
Annual budget consultation with residents and businesses	January – February	Results reported to Cabinet	All	

& with partners			ESCC	
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Local consultation through: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o CRP Face the People events</li> <li>o Tenant Consultation and Participation Activity</li> <li>o Tenant involvement groups</li> <li>o Local Development Framework Consultation</li> </ul>		TBD	All	
Establishment, refreshing and ongoing use of residents/citizens panels.	Ongoing		All	
Development of consultation good practice: tools, systems, scheduler, how feed back results, strategies etc.	2008 and ongoing		All	
Working through SIP consultation group – developing a shared scheduler, shared training, best practice etc.				
Scrutiny Committee work – public involvement in suggesting topics / giving evidence to committees	2008 and ongoing	Service Plan target	Wealden District Council	Trevor Scott 01892 602524
Role of scrutiny – public involvement. E.g. HOSC and the	Ongoing		Health and Overview Scrutiny	Paul Dean 01273 481751



recent decision by the Secretary of State to keep consultancy led maternity services at Eastbourne.			Committee	
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7 Older people's forum provides a collective voice for older people. Annual engagement day	Ongoing with annual event		ESCC & East Sussex Seniors' Association (ESSA).	Vicky Smith 01273 482036
'Speak Up' VCS Strategic Network representation on cross sector issues	Ongoing	Annual report on involvement and achievement	ESCC and VCS sector East Sussex	Paul Rideout 01273 482911
<b>Informing</b>				
Enhanced publicity and PR work to focus on consultation and feedback	2008/09 onwards		All	
Improvements to Council communications	Jan 09 – ongoing	Survey results	All	
Activity on Charter Mark to ensure policies met and improved on	2008–2011	Reassessment at 1 & 3 years from the date of award (date varies between services)	Wealden District Council Eastbourne BC Lewes DC	
<b>Opportunities to influence decision making</b>				
Play Programme	2008 – 2011	TBD	All	

Local Action Planning and Bexhill Town Forum	2008/09	Number of plans	Rother District Council	Brenda Mason 01424 787860
Choice Based Lettings	2008/09	TBD	All	
Engagement with residents across East Sussex through arts and cultural organisations. Examples where this is already being demonstrated include The Towner in Eastbourne (which helped the local authority to achieve <i>Beacon Council status</i> for Culture and Sport for Hard to Reach Groups) and the De La Warr Pavilion in Bexhill-on-Sea.	ongoing	TBD	All & Arts Council	
Through the national Supporting People Outcomes Framework we specifically measure whether people have a need for "support in developing confidence and ability to have greater choice and control" and if they have that need, whether they achieve that outcome.	ongoing	Annual Outcomes Framework report – outcome measure	All, in partnership with Health and Probation and Housing Authorities	Candice Miller 01273 482805
<b>Community cohesion/community involvement</b>				
Revisit and agree our community cohesion framework and action plan			Hastings Borough Council	Jane Hartnell 01424 451482
Fundamental review of area co-ordination and the links			Hastings Borough Council	Jane Hartnell 01424 451482

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between this and the LSP				
Ongoing engagement with hard to reach groups as part of the corporate equalities agenda			All	
Rolling programme of Equalities Impact Assessments			All	