

Partnership Performance Updates: Second Generation Local Public Service Agreement (LPSA2)

Introduction

1. This report provides a summary of progress for the delivery of the second generation LPSA.

Current Performance

2. We have recently passed the halfway stage of LPSA2 (April 2005 – March 2008). There are eleven targets and 23 indicators. Of the 23 indicators, 16 are forecasted as green by lead officers, i.e. expected to fully achieve the stretch target, four of the indicators are categorised as amber, i.e. expected to reach 60% of the stretch target (trigger point for payment of performance reward grant), but the remaining three indicators are red and currently off target. Table 1 below summarises progress at October 2006.

Table 1 - LPSA2 Position Statement (October 2006)

Target	Maximum PRG (£)	Lead Partner	Current Position
1 – Tackling anti social behaviour	1,424,000	Police	Indicator 1 = Amber
			Indicator 2 = Green
2 – Building positive parenting	1,424,000	Cheshire CC	Indicator 1 = Green
			Indicator 2 = Green
3 – Employment opportunities for people with disabilities	810,000	Cheshire CC	Indicator 1 = Green
			Indicator 2 = Red
4 – Delivering services for children and young people	1,424,000	Cheshire CC	Indicator 1 = Amber
			Indicator 2 = Amber
			Indicator 3 = Green
			Indicator 4 = Green
5 – Improving the quality of life of older people	2,136,000	Cheshire CC	Indicator 1 = Amber
6 – Reducing the fear of crime	1,424,000	Police	Indicator 1 = Green
			Indicator 2 = Red
			Indicator 3 = Green
7 – Increasing safety from domestic abuse	1,424,000	Cheshire CC	Indicator 1 = Green
			Indicator 2 = Green
			Indicator 3 = Green

8 – Reducing death and injuries on Cheshire roads	2,136,000	Fire (Equal split incl. Police and Cheshire CC)	Indicator 1 = Red
9 – Improving street environment	1,424,000	Cheshire CC / District Councils	Indicator 1 = Green
			Indicator 2 = Green
10 – Community energy	1,424,000	Cheshire CC	Indicator 1 = Green
11- Improving housing standards in Cheshire	2,037,000	District Councils	Indicator 1 = Green
			Indicator 2 = Green

3. The bullet points below provide brief narrative on the targets currently categorised as amber or red.

- Target 1 Tackling anti social behaviour - The latest survey results (September 06) indicate that the figure for sub indicator 1 (Percentage of People “worried” about anti social behaviour in Crewe and Nantwich) has remained fixed. This is therefore reflected in the Table as **AMBER**.
- Target 3 Employment opportunities for people with disabilities - This Target has two sub indicators. The second indicator concerns a new area of work for Cheshire County Council. The aim to deliver 70 actual job placements (from a baseline of 0) to the most severely disabled clients. Based on current low performance this indicator is predicted as **RED**. A number of new actions are being pursued by the lead officer to try to reverse the situation.
- Target 4 Delivering services for children and young people - The first years results were received in September and show good progress against sub targets 3 and 4 (those children in IMD areas) but a slower than expected increase in performance against the Cheshire average. Therefore sub targets 1 and 2 are shown as **AMBER**
- Target 5 Improving the quality of life of older people - This Target builds on the already ambitious Innovation Forum target and therefore achievement in full of the LPSA2 stretch is very demanding. Initiatives are underway to support the Target but for reward grant purposes a cautious approach has been applied of **AMBER** rather than **GREEN**.
- Target 6 Reducing the fear of crime - Two of the three indicators on the Fear of Crime are showing good progress, however with regards to sub target 2, the Cheshire wide survey has shown an upward trend in its first return (conducted September 2006). This has lead to this sub target being classified as **RED**.
- Target 8 Reducing death and injuries on Cheshire roads - The indicator for this Target is the killed or seriously injured figure for Cheshire’s roads. The data is reported on an annual basis and the actual Target is to reduce the rate further from the baseline established over the period from 1999 to 2003. The preliminary figures for this year have shown an increase over the first nine months above the average trend. This has lead to an increase in KSI’s overall and a **RED** indicator.

Whilst this is an obvious concern beyond LPSA2, there are a number of schemes being put in place to continue to build upon existing partnership working between Cheshire Fire, Cheshire County Council and Cheshire Police with the aim to reverse this trend.

Projected Reward Grant

3. At the outset of LPSA2, the Cheshire Partnership agreed the financial model for the allocation of reward grant set out in **Table 2**.

TABLE 2 - LPSA2 PRG FRAMEWORK

(1) Top slice reward grant to repay contributions from Cheshire County Council and Crewe and Nantwich Borough Council to meet the shortfall in LPSA2 Pump Priming Grant (£0.55m)	
(2) Top slice reward grant (potentially to the value of the total pump priming grant) to continue and extend initiatives started under LPSA2. (£2.0m)	
(3a) Grant paid to partners in proportion to delivery of each target. (£12.6m)	(3b) Grant paid to partners in proportion to overall support to LPSA. (£1.4m)
(4) Top slice reward grant to support Local Area Agreement funding streams and to provide additional pump priming grant for LPSA3. (£0.55m)	

The example figures in the above framework apply only if the total Performance Reward Grant is achieved. **Table 3** sets out the projected reward grant to each LPSA partner. The reward grant will be paid half as capital grant and half as revenue grant, with equal payments 2008/09 and 2009/10.

TABLE 3 - LPSA2 PRG DETAILED ALLOCATION MODEL

	PRG (P3a,3b)	Top sliced budgets			Total
		PPG Refund	LPSA2 Cont	LPSA3	
Cheshire	£4,982,795	£500,000	£1,475,000	£352,764	£7,310,559
Chester	£335,664	£0	£0	£21,597	£357,261
Congleton	£171,432	£0	£0	£11,030	£182,462
Crewe	£451,491	£50,000	£0	£32,266	£533,757
E'Port	£184,680	£0	£0	£11,882	£196,562
Macclesfield	£209,916	£0	£0	£13,506	£223,422
Vale Royal	£224,992	£0	£0	£14,476	£239,468
Police	£1,413,327	£0	£372,000	£90,934	£1,876,261
Fire	£24,017	£0	£131,000	£1,545	£156,562
Total	£7,998,312	£550,000	£1,978,000	£550,000	£11,076,312