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Green light for Derby City Partnership

Creating a strong economy, tackling Derby's image, opportunities for the city in the 2012 London Olympics and new directions for involving residents in improving services were just some of the major items discussed at Derby City Partnership's recent Board meeting. No wonder that Government Office for the East Midlands has recommended a top rating for the Partnership!

Now in its 10th year, Derby City Partnership is firmly established and continues to set the direction for the city at its quarterly Board meetings.

Derby City Partnership received the green light in its annual assessment which has received approval by the Office of the Deputy Prime Minister. Councillor Chris Williamson, Chair of Derby City Partnership said 'We are delighted that the Government Office for the East Midlands has approved this top rating. It is very encouraging to be considered to be so effective, and we are continually looking at ways to further improve the impact we make.'

Helen Osler, Director of Derby City Partnership said "The work of Derby City Partnership, as well as Derby itself, is changing at a real pace. Our tenth anniversary

year has been exciting and full of new developments such as the current work we are doing on marketing the city. In the new year we will be looking closely at our work, its structure and membership to make sure we continue to address the issues that matter to the people of Derby.”

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Derby City Partnership is an alliance of organisations working together to improve the quality of life in Derby.

Members represent

- public services
- local businesses
- community and voluntary groups
- individuals who live or work in Derby.

Since 1995, Derby City Partnership has been working to:

- develop closer and better working between organisations
- improve services and facilities
- attract funding
- make best use of all resources
- bring the work of all partnerships in the city together

Derby City Partnership is also the Local Strategic Partnership, delivering the National Strategy for Neighbourhood Renewal in the most deprived neighbourhoods of the city.

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