

## Derby City Partnership Board Meeting

### Summary report

16 March 2009

#### Comprehensive Area Assessment

Beverley Parker from the Audit Commission gave a presentation on the Comprehensive Area Assessment or CAA which is the new framework for the independent assessment of local public services in England to see how partners working together are improving the outcomes for people in their area.

It has two main elements; an **area assessment** that looks at how well local public services are delivering better results for local people and **organisational assessments** for councils, which runs alongside individual assessment frameworks for health and social care, children and young people, Police, fire and community safety. The area assessment has four underpinning themes: sustainability, inequality, people whose circumstances make them vulnerable and value for money.

The Audit Commission is gathering data, intelligence and information on Derby, while within the Partnership we have been preparing a self assessment document. In June there will be an 'emerging thoughts and findings' report as the 'story' of Derby unfolds. Discussion will then begin on any green and red flag activity or issues, which highlight significant performance or concern. In September a draft report will be available and in November the final report will be agreed, which will be published on the internet. The CAA is an on-going process and so there will be a quarterly review cycle in January, March and June, culminating in a published report each autumn.

#### Strategic discussion: Community Cohesion

Andy Thomas, Acting Director, Community Safety Partnership gave a presentation on community cohesion in Derby following the work conducted last year on population mapping. It covered key themes including new migration and risks to cohesion. While Derby has a reputation for people getting on well together, it has also been linked with some young men involved with violent extremism. A range of issues were raised in the discussion and Andy and Hazel Lymbery will consider what the next steps will be.

#### 2009-2011 Sustainable Community Strategy

The strategy was fully approved by the Board and members were asked to take it back to their individual organisations for formal adoption and promotion.

#### Inspiring Derby 2009

Derby City Partnership week will run from Monday 22 to Sunday 28 June this year and aims to showcase what's best about the city. Key events for Board members include the Annual Review on Tuesday 23 June and the Showcasing Derby Walk and Celebrations on Saturday 27 June, which has been inspired by Sir Christopher Ball's 'be inspiring' pledge.

#### Next Board meeting

Monday 8 June from 2 – 4pm at the University of Derby, Kedleston Road

## City for Children and Young People

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### Achievements

- Derby's Annual Performance Assessment of our services for children and young people April 2007–March 2008 was received from Ofsted. We maintained our good standard across all the Every Child Matters outcomes, but 'Be Healthy' rose to a '4' which is classed as outstanding.
- At 5.7% the 2008 NEET figures continue to beat Government targets at 7.1%. This equates to 189 young people, including 39 classed as 'not available'. This year's challenges include the recession and a change in data collection to an average of November, December and January rather than a fixed point.
- A Welcome Pack has been devised for all staff working in coordinated/integrated teams with children and young people in Derby. It provides an introduction to the Children's Trust, the CYP Plan and being part of integrated services.
- Recent evaluation of the locality one integrated front line delivery trailblazer was very positive. Findings showed that staff found it easier to do their job and overwhelmingly wanted to work in this way. A step-by-step approach was agreed towards fully integrated service delivery to ensure a safe service and be responsive to the current financial situation. The first step will be to introduce a city wide co-ordination approach from 1 April 2009, reviewed in six months. The full report is available at <http://cmis.derby.gov.uk/CMISWebPublic/Binary.ashx?Document=12854>.

### Recent business covered and issues

#### Governance

New terms of reference have been agreed for the Executive and the Joint Strategic Commissioning Board taking into account recent Statutory Guidance. A small group will also meet to look at a recent self-assessment questionnaire on Children's Trusts to report back at the March Executive.

#### 14-19 Strategy – 15 December Executive

From 2010 the Learning and Skills Council's responsibilities for post-16 education and training will be transferred to local authorities and commissioning will be through a sub-regional partnership with Derbyshire. New Government guidance 'Delivery 14-19 Reform–Next Steps' has three broad aims; getting young people to participate, giving young people knowledge and skills and closing achievement gaps. This is supported by four pathways for pupils to choose; GCSEs/A Levels, diplomas, apprenticeships and foundation learning tier. The increased participation age will have a big impact, as young people must participate in education or training until their 17<sup>th</sup> birthday, rising to 18 from 2014. The diploma is a new 14-19 qualification and seeks involve employers, Derby has applied to offer 11 by next September.

#### Child Obesity – 16 February Executive

Height and weight measurements have been collected for reception and year 6 children for the last three years. From this at least 70% of children have a normal weight and between 26% and 31.7% are above normal. An obesity strategy is in place supported by a 'Healthy Weight Healthy Lives' Task Group. Activity is mapping in early years interventions, schools and youth projects. More initiatives are proposed, particularly with families and in communities including Health Champions, and the national 'Change 4 Life' programme.

#### Stakeholder Day 10 February 2009

The event was well attended with a morning of presentations and workshops from different projects and an afternoon refreshing the Children and Young People's Plan with new actions for 2009/10.

#### Voices in Action update

The November stakeholder event had been very successful and they had been told that their mystery shopping had brought about changes in some services tested. The three activity areas for the coming year are; Jobs and Money, New and Emerging Communities and Bullying and all the 'isms'.

### Issues on the horizon

- **Ofsted** has released 'Comprehensive Area Assessment: assessing children's services and adult learning', setting out how they will contribute to the joint inspectorate CAA from 1 April 2009. It includes annual, unannounced inspection of local authority contact, assessment and referral centres for children's social care and full inspection of safeguarding and services for looked after children in each local authority area at least once every three years, as well as CYP services playing a full part in the CAA.
- **Child Poverty** – DCP Cities have been asked to nominate a lead officer who will sit on a strategic group to help steer the poverty work. Some unexpected funding had be offered which needed to be used by 31 March and the group were considering its use for poster/information leaflets for key contact numbers, particularly 0845 123333 for the Police.
- **Finance** – The Executive noted that current budget rounds were very challenging with increasing levels of efficiencies being asked from all partners.
- **March Executive** – the strategic focus will be on cohesion, gangs, youth crime and drugs and alcohol.

## City Growth

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### Achievements

- The Future Skills tender contract has been awarded and the first steering group has taken place. The work is being done through the Jobs and Skills Group in conjunction with the county equivalent to look skills needs to 2020.
- City Growth has formally backed the DET 'Change Track' campaign
- A good dialogue has been started between the Chair and the Regional Minister, Phil Hope, over the position for Derby's large companies where they are having to act as banks for their supply chain.

### Recent business covered and issues

#### Riding the economic cycle - Building resilience

The Executive invited East Midlands Business and Business Link to give a regional perspective of their work with businesses. They had seen a roughly 50% increase in contacts in December alone to 400. The data broke that down into support given as:

- Level one – phone call
- Level two – attending an event
- Level three – face to face contact with a business advisor

The trend was for more level three interventions. Work with key partners like Jobcentre Plus, to support people into employment or self employment, continued to be effective and there were a lot of positive examples where individuals or organisations were taking advantage of the opportunities within the climate. It was also clear that the much predicted disaster of January had not happened and businesses were showing clear determination to survive with a pragmatic approach.

#### Centre of Cities Report

John Forkin gave an overview of the new Centre for Cities report although, as Derby was not featured as a case study, it had been difficult to pick out specific information. Derby was shown as being up from fourth to second for job creation, but was now behind Nottingham in average salaries and in the bottom 10 cities for the percentage of the workforce with no qualifications. The implicit message seemed to be that while it wasn't very bad things weren't changing and that needed addressing strategically.

### Issues on the horizon

**Derby's Economic Assessment:** Derby City Council is now required to carry out an assessment of the economic conditions within the city boundaries with its partners. This work will be carried out over the next 12 months to take into account a broad range of impacts on the economic well being of individuals and communities. The Executive will discuss scoping issues at its May meeting, particularly looking at addressing gaps.

**Lower Derwent Flood Risk Strategy:** The Executive will consider the issues with the strategy, particularly the proposed 'blue corridor' and its impact on regeneration and development at the May meeting.

### **Achievements**

Overall performance continues to be strong:

- 2009-2010 Plan completed, based upon national and local priorities
- Strategy and plans integrated with the sustainable communities strategy
- Crime continues to be reduced, exceeding the PSA target of 20% across a range on crime types. Notable reductions in acquisitive crime such as burglary, theft and auto-crime, although there are signs that these are starting to increase
- Reductions in anti-social behaviour continue, displaying a long-term trend, linked to increases in positive perceptions
- Sustained performance in drug treatment services, more people in treatment and for longer periods
- Youth Offending Service still ranked 2<sup>nd</sup> out of 156 nationally
- Community Cohesion strategy and plan being implemented with key successes in building bridges and community tensions monitoring
- Preventing Violent Extremism is progressing in partnership with the police, security services and city council. Operational framework in place
- Neighbourhood working continues to focus on community leadership, community engagement and is focussing on the key LAA indicators
- Recent focus on gang related crime has resulted in reductions and prevention work will continue in this area, focussed on young people. Plans are underway to set up a multi-agency gangs team

### **Current Developments**

- Governance framework in place with SSC Executive Board and 3 sub groups
- Developments in partnership with CYP in Asb to improve and focus our work in parenting and targeted prevention
- Alcohol harm reduction strategy and plan completed, treatment model consultation
- Family Justice Centre being developed, operational April 2009
- Partnership operational tasking group (POG) operational November
- Neighbourhood working focussing on LAA targets
- Youth Justice Plan agreed by Youth Justice Board
- Business plans being prepared in line with 2009-2010 annual plan

### **Challenges and Risks**

- Incorporation of cleaner partnership agendas into city for stronger and safer are taking time to develop
- Alcohol related violent crime continues to under perform and is subject to further analysis and action planning
- Work on preventing violent extremism is a significant challenge in delivery and the wider counter terrorism agenda poses significant risks to our communities safety and reputation
- Financial situation is stable, subject to an number of managed pressures.
- The move into perception based performance measures, under the LAA, CAA and APACS will be a huge challenge and require significant work and effort across the wider partnership
- Sustaining successful performance, particularly in current economic climate

## Cultural City

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### Achievements

- **Culture Club** - has been launched with activities taking place on the first Thursday of every month. The idea is to get more people taking part in different elements of the city's cultural offer. So far activities have included visits to the cinema and the Format Photography Exhibition.
- **Shakes in the City** - arts organisations in Derby have combined to present an innovative and varied programme of live performances, film and community workshops to celebrate and enjoy the work of William Shakespeare.
- **Cultural Visioning Day** – key strategic thinkers in the city came together in February over breakfast to discuss the cultural offer in Derby, what we do well, what we could do better and to identify the gaps that would help to inform the future work of the Cultural City.

### Recent business covered and issues

#### Cultural Strategy and Action Plan

The Cultural Strategy has been reviewed to; refresh the mission statement, consider what is still relevant from the last strategy, incorporate the cultural contribution and align the timetable to the Sustainable Community Strategy. Input has been received from Cultural City members and sub-groups and the final version will be signed off by the end of March.

As there has not been an action plan linked to the strategy for many years a draft action plan has been developed which aims to include the activities of the executive and subgroups that contribute to the new Cultural Strategy. Once this has been finalised the next stage of work is to consider the high level performance indicators that reflect the achievement of the objectives in the Cultural Strategy.

#### Role of Cultural City

The purpose of the Cultural City executive was confirmed in the last meeting and the future membership of the Cultural City Executive was discussed. Recommendations for representation on the Executive were made that would make the group too large to work effectively. It was agreed that before the next Executive meeting the Strategic Lead and Chair would work together to refine a smaller list that would have the appropriate representation to achieve the Cultural City objectives.

### Issues on the horizon

**Delivery Planning Session – NI9 Use of Public Libraries-** will take place in April and involve a wide range of partners to identify new opportunities for increasing the use of the city's libraries. Resulting actions to be taken forward by David Potton.

**Innovation Session - The Evening Economy** - a cross partnership session to identify ideas and opportunities to develop the long term evening economy in the city centre is planned with a date to be confirmed.

**National Play Day - 5 August 2009** - The Play Partnership are planning an event as part of this and would like to hear from all groups involved in play that would like to provide activities as part of an event in one of the city's parks.

**Igniting Ambition – Cultural Olympiad in the East Midlands** – is the programme of activity to celebrate the UK's hosting of the 2012 Olympics. Derby was the host for the launch last year and there is a programme planned for future years to lead up to 2012 with opportunities for Derby communities to be involved.

### Achievements

- Creating a Healthy Workplace – a business breakfast held in partnership with Derby City Partnership, the University of Derby and Derbyshire and Nottinghamshire Chamber was held on 26 February aimed at small and medium businesses in Derby. The event was well attended by over 50 people and both Mike Sandys and Bob Betts spoke about the benefits of being part of a Workplace Health Network in Derby. The event created a lot of interest and positive support for the Network which will be followed up to establish the network more formally.
- Dementia Strategy – A local day to focus on the strategy was held at the Midland Hotel in early February. The event was well attended with good representation from users and carers. The strategy will be taken forward by the NHS Derby City and Derby City Council.

### Recent business covered and issues

#### Personalisation of Adult Social Care

This new national agenda is a change to the way that social care system operates and will give individuals choice, control and power over the support they receive. Individuals will receive payments directly so they can design and purchase their own support from the public, private or voluntary sector. The implications new system represents a fundamental change in thinking and delivery of services within social care, greater flexibility required to deliver high quality services with emphasis on needs and wishes of the individual as a consumer of services. The benefits are that it will allow individuals to access a wider range of activities, promote social inclusion and support independence. The challenges are; developing systems to allocate and manage resources, ensuring equity between people with different needs, safeguarding, managing demand, planning workforce requirements and sustainability. A Personalisation Programme Board, with members from across the partnership, has been appointed with the task of transforming social care in Derby by developing and implementing strategies that put person centre support at the heart of all adult social care services by April 2011.

#### Update on PCT 5 year plan, LOP and Staying Healthy Initiatives

As part of the WCC assurance process a five year strategic plan has been developed which identifies priorities for the next five years. Responsibility for overview and monitoring the public health and wellbeing priorities included in the plan will be undertaken by the Health Improvement Forum and fed into the Healthy City Executive on a quarterly basis.

### Issues on the horizon

#### Joint Strategic Needs Assessment – JSNA

The JSNA for 2009 is currently being developed with a view to publication by end July. Its production is being overseen by a multi-agency steering group. Building on last year's report, the 2009 refresh aims to inform the SCS, LAA and PCT's LOP by identifying the current and future health and wellbeing needs of a population, leading to improved outcomes and reductions in health inequalities.