



UPDATE

HALTON STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP



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Halton's New Community Strategy Launched

The Halton Strategic Partnership has just launched the new Community Strategy for Halton. The Strategy contains the five priorities that will be the focus of the Partnership's work for the next five years, and it will guide the way in which people work together to improve Halton. You can find out more at www.haltonpartnership.net.

If you'd like us to send you a strategy pack, which includes a summary and wall chart please call Matt Atherton on **0151 471 7528**.

Picture - Members of the Partnership Board at the Community Strategy launch

New Partnership Chair



Cllr Rob Polhill

Appointed

Cllr Rob Polhill has been appointed as the Partnership Board's new Chair, and takes over from Cllr John Swain who has moved on to become the Mayor of Halton. Cllr Polhill has been a Board Member for many years, and has previously chaired the Urban Renewal Specialist Strategic Partnership.

Training Sessions for Project Managers

Training sessions are available for managers of projects using Neighbourhood Renewal Fund from the Partnership. These sessions are already underway, and more are being planned on a range of topics. Watch this space for more details.



Health Partnership representatives at the award ceremony

Health Partnership Awards Success!

Congratulations to the Halton Health Partnership, who have followed up their success at the North West Public Health Awards with a finalist award at the 2006 Chartered Institute of Public Relations Excellence Awards.

The Health Partnership is one of the five themed partnerships operating in the Halton Strategic Partnership, and they won the award for the way they have been promoting healthy living in Halton.

Our congratulations go to everyone involved.

Project Focus – Investing in Grassroots Development

One of the projects we support with our allocation of Neighbourhood Renewal Fund is Four Estates Limited, a volunteer-led community development organisation.

They work at grassroots level across four social housing estates in Halton, and are improving peoples' life by providing services at Community Centres on Palace Fields and Halton Brook, and through ICT training at a third centre.

All three centres provide a platform for community engagement and a base for community projects and initiatives. Strong working partnerships with local community groups and agencies have been built up, and issues that affect the lives of the entire community are being tackled. If you'd like to find out more about the work of Four Estates Limited you can contact them on **01928 563441**.



As part of the project young people from Halton Brook got together to tackle an outbreak of graffiti in their area.

Local Area Agreement Update

A Local Area Agreement is a three-year agreement with central government that sets out the priorities for an area.

Halton is in the process of developing its agreement, and a dedicated section has just been added to our website to provide information on our progress – more information is available at

www.haltonpartnership.net.

Neighbourhood Management in Halton

The aim of Neighbourhood Management is to close the gap between the most deprived areas and the rest of the borough on factors such as health, education, employment and crime by making a difference at a local level.

Halton is setting up a Neighbourhood Management Programme at the moment, led by the Halton Strategic Partnership – you can find out more in the latest news section of our website.

What is the Halton Strategic Partnership?

The Partnership is Halton's local strategic partnership, and brings the main service providers and agencies in the area together to improve services and drive regeneration.

You can find out more at www.haltonpartnership.net.