



Halton Strategic **PARTNERSHIP**

Halton Strategic Partnership Board – 15th November 2006

Presentations

Peter Howard and Alan Briggs from Cheshire Fire and Rescue Service gave a presentation to the Board about their organisation's role in Halton and across the Partnership. You can find out more information by looking at www.cheshirefire.co.uk.

Joint Area Review

Kath O'Dwyer explained the background to the forthcoming Joint Area Review that will take place in Halton in April 2008. In the future these inspections will take place every three years, and will examine the collective contributions made by all services in Halton that work with or impact upon children.

Forward Planning

The Board agreed a process and timetable for developing the Specialist Strategic Partnership Action Plans for 2007. It is proposed that these plans will be endorsed at February's meeting through the adoption of the Partnership Delivery Plan.

The Partnership Improvement Plan for 2007 was presented to the Board and subsequently adopted. The plan has been developed to include issues raised by Board Members during the summer review, and also comments from the LSP Performance Review.

Climate Change

The Board considered a report on climate change, and it was agreed that efforts should be made to tackle it through the development of an action-focused strategy. Halton Borough Council will lead on this process and report back to the Board.

Local Area Agreements

The revised version of Halton's Local Area Agreement was agreed, and a timetable set out for its final submission to Government Office North West. The full draft can be viewed on the Partnership website at www.haltonpartnership.net.

Community Engagement Review

The Community Engagement Practitioners Network has been meeting regularly over the last 12 months and a range of activity has been taking place. The website (www.haltonpartnership.net/communityengagement) is currently being updated, and the annual Engagement Conference was due to take place on 16th November.

Neighbourhood Management Update

The Neighbourhood Management Director and Co-ordinators are now in post, and the coming months will see them setting up a central base and outreach locations in the three pilot areas. A detailed baseline report on the areas will be produced by the end of December.

Partnership Conference

This year's conference was attended by over 100 delegates and featured a range of excellent speakers including the Regional Director of Public Health, Dr Ruth Hussey and round-the-world yachtswoman Dee Caffari. Evaluation forms completed by the audience indicated that 100% of delegates felt the event was either 'good' or 'excellent'.

Date of next meeting

14th February 2007