

## Social and Community Overview and Scrutiny Committee

### Developing the council's 2008/09 annual update for the business plan 2007-2010

The Council's seven corporate priorities and supporting ambitions have been set for three years, the lifespan of the business plan, only the actions to achieve those ambitions change year-on-year. This paper presents the priorities and their supporting three year ambitions for which Social and Community Overview and Scrutiny are responsible for.

Social and Community Overview and Scrutiny are responsible in full for the following corporate priorities:

**Promoting housing choice**

**Partnership working to promote community safety; and**

**Partnership working to promote healthy communities.**

Social and Community Overview and Scrutiny Committee are responsible in-part for the following corporate priorities:

**Economic development and regeneration** (with E&BI O&S); **and**

**Excellent, efficient and sustainable council** (with E&BI O&S).

In total, Social and Community Overview and Scrutiny Committee are responsible for 18 ambitions, all of which contribute to the delivery of one of the above corporate priorities. The 18 ambitions are as follows:

#### ***Priority - Promoting Housing Choice***

Social and Community Overview and Scrutiny Committee are responsible *in full* for this corporate priority.

<b>Ambitions for 2010</b>	<b>The measure of our success</b>
We will have improved our housing stock through coordinated programme of investment and maximised the freedoms and flexibilities available to our arms length management organisation (ALMO).	To have all council owned residential properties meeting the decency standard by the end of 2008-09 and to have agreed a sustainable future for our ALMO post-2010.
We will have delivered new affordable homes through the Cheltenham and Tewkesbury Housing Market Partnership.	To have created a total of 400 affordable homes through the partnership by 2010.
We will have implemented the successful and sustainable regeneration of the St Paul's estate in housing, social and environmental terms.	To have improved 175 homes whilst demolishing 85 homes to carry out mixed tenure redevelopment in partnership with CBH.
We will have created a local development framework that encourages a greater range of affordable homes available in the borough and a housing mix that reflects the needs of our changing population.	To have agreed the housing framework.
We will have coordinated grant programmes and inspection regimes to secure investment into private sector	To have improved 150 private sector homes occupied by vulnerable persons to the decent homes standard by 2010.

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We will have worked in partnership to increase the number of older people supported to live at home.	To have established the baseline of the number of older people supported to live at home across all the organisation's activities and then to have increased this number year on year.
We will have implemented choice based lettings to give people more choice in where they live.	To have successfully implemented the choice based letting scheme by 2008.

### **Priority - Partnership working to promote community safety**

Social and Community Overview and Scrutiny Committee are responsible *in full* for this corporate priority.

<b>Ambition for 2010</b>	<b>The measure of our success</b>
Cheltenham Community Safety Partnership (CCSP) will have coordinated a programme of activity that will reduce the level of crime, anti-social behaviour and the fear of crime in Cheltenham.	CCSP to have achieved the 17.5% PSA target by Mar 08 and then to meet any subsequent targets that will be set as part of the six-monthly strategic assessments.
CCSP will have delivered a programme of investment and preventative work to build respect in our communities and reduce anti-social behaviour.	CCSP to have helped partners meet the LAA stretch target SSC 4 (iii) to reduce the number of people who perceive anti-social behaviour as being a problem in their area.
CCSP will have created a safer environment across the borough for all residents and visitors 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.	CCSP to have rolled out a joint approach with all partner agencies through the night-safe and day-safe initiatives that will reduce crime in the town centre.
We will have rolled out a coordinated programme of investment into youth facilities and activities across the borough.	To have started to implement a programme of refurbishment of our sports pavilions so that they can act as a base for youth facilities.
We will have coordinated our licensing and enforcement regimes to reduce alcohol and drug related crime and anti-social behaviour.	To have implemented a successful restructure of our operational teams.

### **Priority – Partnership working to promote healthy communities**

Social and Community Overview and Scrutiny Committee are responsible *in full* for this corporate priority.

<b>What we will deliver by 2010</b>	<b>The measure of our success</b>
The new health and wellbeing partnership (HWB) will have helped to reduced health inequalities and improved the health of our communities and for all age groups. <b>See 2007-08 action 6A</b>	HWB partnership to have helped partners meet the LAA target HCOP 1(i) – to maintain the current rate in all-age all-cause mortality.

We will have provided a programme of sports provision to attract and encourage broad participation in sporting and recreational activities delivered through leisure@ and through our sports development work. <b>See 2007-08 action 6B</b>	To have helped partners meet the LAA targets HCOP 1b (v), to increase the percentage of adults that engage in regular sport and physical activity.
We will have supported the drive to reduce smoking and drinking in particular through enforcing the new legislation banning smoking in public places from July 2007. <b>See 2007-08 action 6C</b>	HWB partnership to have helped partners meet the LAA targets HCOP 1a (iv) to increase the numbers of four week quitters in the county.

### ***Priority – Economic development and regeneration***

Social and Community Overview and Scrutiny Committee are only responsible *in part* for this corporate priority. The below ambition is the responsibility of Social and Community Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

<b>Ambition for 2010</b>	<b>The measure of our success</b>
We will work with our partners to create an improved structure for regeneration activities that will improve financial stability, governance and service delivery while providing facilities management for the four resource centres.	To increase the percentage of residents in areas of multiple deprivation that are satisfied with their neighbourhoods.

### ***Priority – Excellent, efficient and sustainable council***

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<b>What we will deliver by 2010</b>	<b>The measure of our success</b>
We will have developed a coherent framework for community involvement and engagement, working with parish councils and neighbourhood management to respond to the challenges set out in the local government white paper.	To have implemented new neighbourhood management structures successfully in partnership with the police.
We will have developed our equalities and community cohesion work to ensure that our communities are attractive to people of different ethnic and social backgrounds.	To have achieved level 3 of the equality standard by 2010.

In terms of the 2007/10 ambitions I would like to ask the committee the following questions:

- Do you feel that these ambitions are still relevant to the council?
- Are there any other new / emerging community concerns about this ambition that were not there last year, which are relevant to 2008/09?
- What issues do you think are important for the council to concentrate on to deliver this ambition in 2008/09?
- Should the half year performance information that you have received today reflect activity against ambitions for 2008/09?