

ESSEX LOCAL AREA AGREEMENT – ACTION AND TARGETS

Priority No: 3

Description: Ensure development is designed to promote healthier living in the built environment.

Service: Planning Services

Objective	Action to be taken	Proposed target	Responsible officer	Resources required and source	Timescale for completion	Progress
<p>Priority 3 concerns healthier living, in particular two targets i.e.</p> <p>Target 1: the need for Health Impact Assessments for larger Planning Applications (HIA's) by 2009.</p>	<p>The LAA Lead has discussed this with the Essex Planning Officers Association, and, as far as Epping is concerned, it is too late for us to have sought an alternation to our local plan to make reference to this, and therefore this will have to be brought in via the Local Development Framework (which we can't proceed further with until we learn the outcome of the Regional Plan, and in addition we have until 2009 to do this).</p>	<p>Health Impact Assessments for larger planning applications (HIA's).</p>	<p>Head of Planning and Economic Development</p>	<p>T.B.C</p>	<p>By 2009</p>	<p>Discussion at EPOA and outcome was that this would have to be addressed via the LDF.</p>
<p>Target 2: to have 3% lifetime homes (Min) by 2009.</p>	<p>At the EPOA there was some debate as to what the Lifetime Homes Standard actually is, and this is probably still somewhat unclear, however, again we sought to make some alterations to our Local Plan. Unfortunately this was one of the few matters the Inspector did not go along with, subsequently; again, we will have to go down the LDF route to bring these policies in by 2009.</p>	<p>3% lifetimes homes min</p>	<p>Head of Planning and Economic Development</p>	<p>T.B.C</p>	<p>By 2009</p>	<p>Discussion at EPOA and outcome was that this will have to be addressed via the LDF.</p>

Priority No: 8

Description: Keep vulnerable children and young people safe.

Service: Housing Services

Objective	Action to be taken	Proposed target	Responsible officer	Resources required and source	Timescale for completion	Progress
<p>Increase the percentage of young people leaving care who are in accommodation that meets their particular support needs to 55.5%.</p>	<p>Provide 37 bed spaces across the District for single homeless people and young people leaving care, through the Single Accommodation For Epping Forest (SAFE) Project.</p>	<p>At least 75% of young people leaving care in the District with an accommodation need to be housed by the SAFE project</p>	<p>Head of Housing Services</p>	<p>Accommodation to be provided by Nacro Community Enterprises</p>	<p>December 2006</p>	<p>The council already facilitates the provision of accommodation for nearly all such care leavers through referrals to the Single Accommodation For Epping Forest (SAFE) Project, and works closely with the local manager from Children and Young Peoples Services for Leaving and After Care.</p> <p>Furthermore, the Council safeguards their move-on from the SAFE Project by giving them additional priority within the Housing Allocations Scheme.</p> <p>A monitoring system is in the process of being set up with the local Leaving and After Care Manager to record the number and percentage of all care leavers who enter "accommodation that meets their particular support needs".</p>
	<p>Investigate the feasibility of developing a foyer scheme within the District for young people, including young people leaving care, to provide accommodation, skills training and support.</p>	<p>If feasible and viable, to provide a scheme of at least 25 bedspaces, to increase to 90% the number of young people leaving care in the District with an accommodation need who are accommodated</p>	<p>Head of Housing Services</p>	<p>Feasibility to be undertaken by East Thames Group and the Epping Forest Foyer Project</p>	<p>December 2006</p>	<p>East Thames Group has commenced a feasibility exercise, based on a potential site within the District.</p>

Priority No: 10

Description: Reduce crime, the harm caused by illegal drugs and to reassure the public

Service: Research and Democratic Services

Objective	Action to be taken	Proposed target	Responsible officer	Resources required and source	Timescale for completion	Progress
Reduction of crime and reassuring the public	Implement 2005-08 Epping Forest Crime and Drugs Strategy	All targets within Strategy and associated Action Plans	CDRP COG and associated Action Groups	EFDC Safer Communities budgets and CDRP Home Office Safer Communities Funds	Various dates 1 April 2005 – 31 March 2008	Some targets achieved, some ongoing, some identified for future action
Reduction of crime, the harm caused by illegal drugs and reassure the public	Use of 'Drugs' Dogs outside licensed premises late at night (partnership action)	Implementation of scheme in the District	Crime Reduction Co-ordinator/CDR P night (Partnership action)	CDRP Home Office Safer Communities Funds	April 2007	DARG dealing with preparatory arrangements
Drug awareness, education and information	Crucial Crew Scheme	Carry out scheme	Crime Reduction Co-ordinator CDRP	CDRP Home Office Safer Communities Funds	June 2007	Scheme took place May 2006 further scheme scheduled for summer 2007
	2smart4drugs Scheme	Implementation of Scheme	CDRP and DARG Crime Reduction Co-ordinator (Partnership action)	From Essex Police	Annual Event	Annual Event
	Programme of support to schools	Theatre Company provide actors and curriculum support for reaches through interactive theatre programme	CDRP and DARG and crime Reduction Co-ordinator	EFDC Communities budgets and CDRP Home Office Funds.	Annual Event	Annual Event
	Chance for Change Programme		CDRP and DARG and crime Reduction Co-ordinator	EFDC Communities budgets and CDRP Home Office Funds		
Identify vulnerable young people, to collect data to inform local needs, to provide	Outreach workshops Drug awareness Alcohol awareness	Carry out workshops and awareness programme.	CDRP and DARG and crime Reduction Co-	Essex DAAT CDRP Home	Quarterly Reports	Workshops held quarterly 3 workers carry out on-street awareness

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support and targeted prevention programme	Sustaining existing and developing new opportunities for local delivery of drop-in information and advice for young people	Develop new opportunities local delivery of drop-in information.	ordinator (Partnership action)	Office Funds		programme There are ongoing facilities such as WAYPIC which provide this service but provision could be extended.
Moving Class A drug using offenders, away from drugs and crime to treatment	Implementing the Drug Intervention Programme Essex locally DRR (Drug Rehabilitation Requirement) Reduce referrals Substance Misuse Training Production of information Floating Support Scheme	Implement the programme Ensure requirement provided. Ensure reduction takes place. Carry out training. Produce information. Carry out scheme.	CDRP and DARG. (Partnership action)	From Essex Probation(?)	Commercial February 2005 - now called PRO Essex.	
Tackle drugs issues as part of neighbourhood renewal	Graffiti Clearance	Carry out graffiti clearance as necessary	Crime Reduction Co-ordinator	From EFDC Safer Communities Budget	Ongoing	Clearance is carried out on an ongoing basis as necessary, subject to funds being available
Tackle drug/drink driving criminal justice approaches – educational and harm reduction approaches	Drink impaired Driving Programme Safer Bar Accreditation Scheme Test purchasing	Implement programme. Increase number of premises accredited. Reduce binge drinking/drink related violence.	CDRP and DARG Essex Probation Essex Police Essex Trading Standards (Partnership action)	From Essex Probation (?)	Ongoing	Scheme still being developed.
Reduce Impact of drug/alcohol use in the street	Drugs debris collection	Collect debris when necessary and reduce incidence	EFDC - Environmental Services	EFDC - Environmental Services Budget	Ongoing	
Reducing supply – having a	Mobile CCTV Van	Reduce incidence over a period	CDRP	Essex Police	Ongoing	

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sustained impact on supply of Class A drugs availability within its community		of time. Van used as part of a 'raft' of measures.	DARG Crime Reduction Co-ordinator (Partnership action)	Funds and CDRP Home Office Funds		
Strengthen local services and improve access	Appointment of consultant to act as project manager taking forward plans to address the shortfall in treatment provision for Epping Forest Residents Provision of services to address shortfall in treatment provision for Epping Forest residents	Appoint Consultant, develop plans. Reduce shortfall in treatment provision and % of residents with substance misuse problem presenting for treatment	Joint Commissioning Team			

Priority No: 11

Description: Build Respect in Communities and Reduce Anti-Social Behaviour

Service: Research and Democratic Services

Objective	Action to be taken	Proposed target	Responsible officer	Resources required and source	Timescale for completion	Progress
Develop a working protocol with all relevant partners concerning ASB issues. Protocol to include determining lead department on complaints received.	Consult with partners Examine best practice Draft Protocol for debate Implement agreed protocol	Implementation of written protocol	CDRP ASBN Group, ASB Co-ordinator	EFDC Safer Communities Budgets and CDRP Home Office Funds	31.8.2007	Informal procedures in place and adhered to at present
Develop internal staff training programmes concerning latest ASB strategies to encourage a pro-active approach to ASB work within EFDC.	Determine best practice Consult with acknowledged experts Liaise with relevant EFDC departments concerning identified training needs Produce a rolling series of courses for staff.	Undertaking training programme	CDRP ASBN Group, ASB Co-ordinator	EFDC Safer Communities Budgets and CDRP Home Office Funds	31.8.2007	Statement taking training programme set up for November 2006
Develop a training programme for parish councillors to explain the law and their responsibilities to ASB work.	Examine best practice Consult with partners Develop with Essex Police Crime Reduction Officer Develop training package Identify nominated Parish Councillors to lead on ASB and represent their community on action groups as problems arise.	Finalisation of training programme	CDRP ASBN Group, ASB Co-ordinator	EFDC Safer Communities Budgets and CDRP Home Office Funds	31.8.2007	Initial groundwork carried out
Develop local protocols and training programme regarding ASB issues with all Registered Social Landlords in EFDC.	Identify RSL's Determine SPOC Draft and agree single working protocol	Development of protocol and training programme	CDRP ASBN Group, ASB Co-ordinator	EFDC Safer Communities Budgets and CDRP Home Office Funds	31.8.2007	Protocol in draft

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Develop a joint tasking strategy with Essex Police on the deployment of PCSO's. Obtain statistical return to monitor effectiveness.	<p>Liaise with District Commander Seek agreement Formulate tasking strategy Obtain Essex Police PI's for PCSO</p> <p>Liaise with CRO Essex Police Develop a system to identify EFDC led taskings</p> <p>Develop local arrangement for the handling of sensitive intelligence</p> <p>Liaise with Loughton DIU and develop intelligence packages regarding ASB to be disseminated to interested EFDC departments and Essex Police</p>	<p>Tasking pro forma drafted Tasking results agreed as per Essex Police PI's. To be returned for each tasking.</p> <p>Interested EFDC services to be notified Strategy developed in line with Joint Service Agreement on PCSO's</p> <p>Local arrangement to be developed</p> <p>Briefing pack completed for target area Limes Farm. Will be updated as new offenders come on line</p>	Crime Reduction Co-ordinator, CDRP	EFDC Safer Communities Budgets and CDRP Home Office Funds	31.12.06	<p>Completed Sept 2006</p> <p>Completed Sept 2006</p> <p>Accreditation applied for</p> <p>Completed 8.9.06</p>
Develop generic multi-agency approach to recurring seasonal ASB issues (i.e. Trick or Treat, fireworks)	<p>Examine best practice Consult with licensing Liaise and develop with CRO and Essex Police Problem Solver Approach Trading Standards regarding TP work on those businesses suspected of infringements Task PCSO's Involve Schools Liaison Essex Police</p>	Agreed multi-agency approach signed up to by individual partners	ASB Co-ordinator CDRP, ASBN Group	EFDC Safer Communities and CDRP Home Office Funds	31.8.2007	Ongoing. Information on website re Trick or Treat and fireworks. Press Release issued. Further developments in due course

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Develop multi-agency approach to dealing with ASB issues	Secure attendance of housing association representatives at meetings, investigate implications for data sharing and agree protocols	Housing Associations to attend meetings. Protocol to be developed	ASB Co-ordinator ASBN Group	EFDC Safer Communities Budgets and Home Office Funds	31.8.07	Housing Associations now attend meetings. Protocols to be agreed and formalised
Implement an interim ASB recording database	Liaise IT Implement Access database Liaise with Housing, Environmental Services and RSL's Develop system of recording data from all of above	Interim ICT CRIS database installed 12.9.06 ASB Project Board database still in development	ASB Co-ordinator	EFDC Safer Communities and CDRP Home Office Funds		Completed 12.9.06
Deal with complaints of ASB using multi-agency strategies Set targets and measure achievements	Ensure working protocols are produced Ensure best use made of Essex Police CRO Ensure continued lead on ASBNG Obtain YOT attendance at ASBNG regarding parenting contracts	Agree appropriate strategies and protocols	ASB Co-ordinator CDRP, ASBN Group	EFDC Safer Communities Budgets and CDRP Home Office Funds	31.8.2007	Informal approaches in place. Protocols to be formalised in due course
Develop and implement the use of technology in gathering evidence of ASB	Obtain and develop the use of CDRP CCTV Develop working policy on use Evaluate new equipment for suitability of use in ASB	Agree working policy for use of CCTV and other technology in ASB cases	ASB Co-ordinator CDRP, ASBN Group	EFDC Safer Communities Budgets and CDRP Home Office Funds	31.8.2007	Working policy to be developed 2007
Develop with partners a positive media strategy to promote CDRP effectiveness and reduce the fear of crime	Liaise with Essex Police media officer for Epping Forest District Work with EFDC CDRP Co-ordinator Positively promote all partnership actions	Development of media strategy	ASB Co-ordinator CDRP, ASBN Group	EFDC Safer Communities Budgets and CDRP Home Office Funds	31.8.2007	Strategy in place. Partner actions promoted through press release
Develop measures with transport operators to reduce ASB on public transport and address fears at bus stops	Further discussions with TFL	Development of measures	ASB Co-ordinator CDRP, ASBN Group	EFDC Safer Communities Budgets and CDRP Home Office Funds	April 2008	TFL not yet prepared to accept proposed arrangements on the routes they are responsible for. Further discussions to be held with TFL

Priority No: 12

Description: Actively manage our environment

Service: Environmental Services

Objective	Action to be taken	Proposed target	Responsible officer	Resources required and source	Timescale for completion	Progress
To reduce or limit the increase in size of Essex's ecological footprint	(1) Environmental Co-ordinator to work within the Council and the community to increase awareness of the issues	To develop a programme of school visits, attendance at other local events to publicise environmental awareness etc	Head of Environmental Services, Head of Planning and Economic Development, Environmental Co-Ordinator	No additional resources required	Review progress at March 2007	Local events to promote the issue have been attended by the environmental co-ordinator. A Green Fayre is planned for the autumn and work has started.

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	<p>(2) Target fuel poor households by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identifying households experiencing or at risk of fuel poverty and priorities them. • Endeavouring to develop partnerships where possible with other agencies to conduct Household energy surveys to map the fuel poor. • Mapping areas which are not supplied with main gas • Undertaking Household energy surveys to gather information regarding fuel poverty within the district • Targeting suitable project developments at households/areas most at risk of fuel poverty. 	To be determined				
To maximise recycling and composting of household waste	<p>(1) To complete the implementation of the wheeled bin based waste management service</p> <p>(2) To increase public awareness of the need to recycle more & throw away less</p>	<p>(1) Wheeled bins across the district by the end of December 2006</p> <p>(2) Achieve 30% recycling by March 2007 and 36% by March 2008</p>	Head of Environmental Services	<p>Basic resources in place, but subject to contractual review</p> <p>Additional resources provided for public</p>	<p>Roll out complete by 31 December 2006</p> <p>30% recycling by 31 March 2007</p>	<p>(1) Wheeled bins in operation for Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday collection rounds</p> <p>(2) Recycling rate increased from 20.3% in 2004/05 to 23.9% for 2005/06, with encouraging data for 2006/07 indicating recycling levels in excess of 30%</p>

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				awareness, new exhibition caravan acquired and now ready for use More leaflets etc required which will require resourcing	36% recycling by 31 March 2008	
Improve the cleanliness of and public satisfaction with Essex gateway areas	(1) Review the EPA category for gateway area (2) Re-explore the options for using Probation Service personnel for additional cleansing works	Increase public satisfaction levels and BV199 targets for gateway areas (2) To establish a protocol with the Probation Service for routine provision of additional cleansing resources	Head of Environmental Services	Dependant upon the outcome of the review None if wholly provide by Probation Service	Part of review of waste management contractual arrangements (by March 2007) Protocol in place by March 2007	None None