

## CABINET

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## REPORT OF THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL

<b>Title:</b> Annual Report of the Local Strategic Partnership 2010 / 2011		<b>For Information</b>
<b>Summary</b>		
<p>The Local Strategic Partnership (LSP) brings together a range of local public, voluntary and community sector agencies with representatives of local businesses, to work together to make Barking and Dagenham a better borough.</p> <p>The LSP's annual report summarises its role, highlights the major issues it has dealt with over the last municipal year, and looks ahead to work for the next year and beyond.</p>		
<b>Recommendation</b>		
The Cabinet is asked to note the annual report of the Local Strategic Partnership for 2010/11.		
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**1. Introduction**

- 1.1 The Barking and Dagenham Partnership brings together all those who want to make the borough a better place to live, study, work, play and visit. Partners include the Council, health services, police and fire service, local businesses, representatives of the voluntary and community sector and members of the local community.
- 1.2 Many of the challenges facing the borough are complex, and can only be addressed through joint working between a range of agencies. The Partnership works to build good relationships between each of the public agencies working in the local area, bringing them together with representatives of businesses and the community in order to develop and deliver solutions.
- 1.3 The main work and priorities for the Partnership are summarised in the Community Plan, and are based on the views of local people. The Plan's overarching vision is:

*We want to ensure that everybody can live, work and thrive in a borough that is safe, clean, fair and respectful, prosperous, healthy and where our young people are inspired and successful.*

- 1.3 The publication of an Annual Report is an opportunity for the Partnership to take stock, and to set out the highlights of the work it has achieved over the last year in support of this vision. The report itself appears at Appendix 1, and includes a substantial body of important work.
- 1.4 The report contains the contributions of the different theme boards which deliver much of the work of the Partnership:
  - Children's Trust
  - Clean, Green & Sustainable Board
  - Community Safety Partnership
  - Shadow Health & Wellbeing Board
  - Skills, Jobs & Enterprise Board
- 1.5 The annual report was reviewed and agreed by the LSP's Public Service Board, which includes senior representatives of the Police, Council, Health Service, voluntary and business sectors.

## **2. Looking to the future**

- 2.1 An overarching Local Strategic Partnership Board is being established to help provide a greater focus on the big issues for the borough. The Board will identify the areas where, by working together, partners can achieve the greatest impact for the people of Barking and Dagenham, including lobbying for a better deal for the borough.
- 2.2 The membership of the Board will consist of over 40 people representing a wide variety of partners. In addition to theme board chairs, the Board will involve representatives from many different sectors including schools, young people, elected Members, businesses and third sector organisations. The first meeting will take place on 18 July 2011.
- 2.3 These representatives will consider the larger cross cutting issues facing the borough such as, how we can increase household income, the attainment of young people, supporting vulnerable young people, the impact of being a Host Borough for the 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games, Community Cohesion and how best to use our resources in the borough.
- 2.4 Assembly has approved the following Member representatives to the LSP Board:
  - Cllr Smith
  - Cllr Rocky Gill
  - Cllr Carpenter
  - Cllr Kangethe
  - Cllr Obasohan
  - Cllr Poulton

### **Background papers used in the preparation of this report:**

- The Annual LSP Report 2010/11