



## ONE BARNSELY OUTLOOK – Number 15 – January 2009

Happy New Year from One Barnsley! This is the 15th edition of One Barnsley Outlook, an email bulletin about your Local Strategic Partnership. It gives you an update on One Barnsley events and what the partnerships are doing.

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### Key One Barnsley Headlines

- Congratulations to Diane Tweedie who has been appointed One Barnsley LSP manager. Diane welcomes questions or ideas about One Barnsley, contactable at [dianetweedie@barnsley.gov.uk](mailto:dianetweedie@barnsley.gov.uk).
- MP Hazel Blears will be visiting Barnsley on 26th January 2009 and visiting the exciting and innovative Athersley Neighbourhood Management project.
- Fit for the future has been shortlisted for 2008 national research awards.

### Dates for your diaries

**Wednesday January 14<sup>th</sup>** – Challenging Racist Behaviour – Max Senior – Unit 7/8 Burleigh Court

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Learning Lunches start at 12 and finish at 1.45pm. Lunch and refreshments are provided Please contact [helenknox@barnsley.gov.uk](mailto:helenknox@barnsley.gov.uk) to secure a place.

### LAA Update

#### LAA Review and Refresh

The LAA review and refresh arrangements for 2008/09 are transitional due to the Comprehensive Area Assessment being introduced from 2009. A self assessment has been produced, in collaboration with GOYH, to provide assurances to government departments that where concerns have been identified, remedial actions are being put in place. This has been used to inform a GOYH Barnsley case conference on the 1<sup>st</sup> December and the subsequent review meeting of the

LAA Delivery Group on the 9<sup>th</sup> December. The self assessment will be submitted to CLG in early January. The template is structured into 3 sections:

- Overall progress- an at a glance section,
- Delivery- with an emphasis on partnership working, accountability to citizens, and innovation,
- Detailed analysis of targets- with a specific focus on the designated targets.

The refresh continues to progress, which this year represents a gap filling exercise where a lack of data inhibited the ability to establish baselines and set targets at sign off in June. All gaps need to be populated by the end of January, with the exception of those measures reliant on the Place Survey- results due on the 16<sup>th</sup> February. This will enable a fully refreshed LAA to be submitted to GOYH by the 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2009.

### **Whizzy Workshop Pilot**

On the 3<sup>rd</sup> December the pilot Whizzy Workshop was undertaken on NI 152- Worklessness. The session was structured around the outcome based accountability approach and was well received by all stakeholders. The basis of the session was to think creatively around the problem and identify solutions. This methodology will be rolled out to other priority areas. There will be a workshop with the Board on worklessness towards the end of January. It is also hoped there will be another workshop involving benefits claimants at a similar time.

### **Place Survey**

A special feedback session will be arranged for mid February to ensure that the results are widely communicated and able to positively inform the refresh of Barnsley's LAA. Further details will follow in due course.

### **Ministerial Visit**

Hazel Blears MP, Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government will be visiting Barnsley on the 26<sup>th</sup> January 2009. Delegates will be keen to see how Barnsley, via its Local Area Agreement, is addressing the priorities for the borough. Further details will follow in due course.

## **Key points from Delivery Partnerships**

### **Safer Communities:**

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- New Drug Courts will be launched in Barnsley on 30<sup>th</sup> January at Westgate Court. A drug court features magistrates specifically trained in dealing with drug users.
- The new Community Tension initiatives are in place in line with the Home Office Prevent agenda.
- The Safer Communities Partnership is now located in the Town Hall. Sarah and Ian are available on the same numbers.

### **Fit for the Future**

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### **Fit for the Future Shortlisted for National Research Awards**

- Fit for the Future along with agency Quaestor Research have been shortlisted in the top 4 of the Market Research Society (MRS) Awards 2008 Public Policy/Research category.

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- The research focused on Barnsley men's attitudes to their health, in particular their weight. The research will be used to inform a number of local schemes.
- Kirsty Waknell, Marketing and Communications Manager, Fit for the Future, said: "We are delighted to have been shortlisted in such a competitive category, where the standards of research and excellence are extremely high. It has been a great partnership with Quaestor Research and we are grateful to them for their support in generating case studies and highlighting effective research. Fit for the Future has worked extremely hard on a number of social marketing projects, so it is encouraging to have been recognised for our dedication and hard work. A big thank you to all the men and their families who took part in our studies."

### **Environment Partnership**

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- The popular Environment Forum is tentatively planned for 25<sup>th</sup> February.
- The partnership is refining the LAA action plan to make sure it is deliverable and achievable.
- The agenda for future partnership meetings will involve more learning and be more action focused.
- The Green Check Schools project led by Goundwork is gathering pace. The purpose of Green Check is to embed a sustainable development ethos by involvement of the whole school community. If you know a school who would like to take part, please contact David Wilde on 01226 740088.

### **Cultural Consortium**

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- The Cultural Consortium has not met in the interim period.
- The Civic heralds an exciting new era for contemporary art, design and performance in South Yorkshire. The launch of the modern Civic to be held in early March is marked by the introduction of a vibrant and dynamic arts programme, bringing contemporary performance and arts to the Assembly Room, the Exhibition Gallery and the newly landscaped Mandela Gardens. **DARE to be different...** Don't forget you can keep up-to-date with all the latest news and events by registering at our website: [www.barnsleycivic.co.uk](http://www.barnsleycivic.co.uk) or become a friend @ [www.myspace.com/barnsleycivic](http://www.myspace.com/barnsleycivic) - I DARE You!

### **Economic Forum**

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- The Economic Forum has not met in the interim period.

### **Children and Young People's Strategic Partnership**

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- One Path One Door is a five year strategy being developed for children and young people aged 0 – 19 with special educational needs, learning difficulties, disability and complex health needs. A consultation event was held in November. The input of parents and carers, young people and practitioners will help to inform the priorities in the strategy and to shape service delivery in the future.
- A second stage bid has been submitted to the Child Poverty Unit. If successful it will create a new and innovative approach that will focus on a whole family model geared to lifting families out of poverty with wrap around support from across the One Barnsley delivery partnerships.
- The National eCAF system is a single IT system to support the common assessment framework which assists early intervention to support children and their families. It will be available to local authorities and national partners, and allow practitioners to electronically

create, store and share information on CAF episodes securely. Both the CAF and the national eCAF project are core components of the Government's Integrated Working agenda, a key element of Every Child Matters (ECM).

- An external review of emotional wellbeing services has been jointly commissioned by Barnsley Directorate for Children Young People and Families and NHS Barnsley to inform strategy and commissioning for Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services and related services. It will build on the Clinical Psychology review. Stakeholders will be consulted and key recommendations developed in January 2009.
- Aiming High for Disabled Children is a small grant programme to develop parent and carer participation. The Department for Children, Schools and Families (DCSF) has invited the local authority to apply for a grant to help develop parent participation activities in local areas. ARENA is leading on this initiative.
- A visit from the DH National Strategy Team is taking place in December. A Healthy Weight Summit was held on 24<sup>th</sup> November to assess our position against national guidance, local strategies and activities. The NST visit will provide an external view on where we should direct our energies and will shape our action plan for this key LAA priority (NI 56) which cuts across One Barnsley delivery partnerships.

## Equalities and Diversity Inclusion Partnership (EDIP)

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- The Community Engagement and Empowerment strategy is now available to view at [www.onebarnsley.com](http://www.onebarnsley.com). Please send comments to Joe Micheli .
- The results from the financial inclusion research are expected March 2009.
- The Kendray Action Research report detailing the successes of this important neighbourhood management programme is also available in the news section at [www.onebarnsley.com](http://www.onebarnsley.com).

## Partnership for Transport

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- The partnership for Transport is working closely with the South Yorkshire Local Transport Plan team on collecting LAA information.
- Work is under way to look in more detail on how transport related carbon emissions can be cut as it counts for 21% of total emissions in Barnsley.
- INTEGR8 is a scheme twinning strategic park and ride sites in to Bus Rapid Transit to the town centre. The sites proposed in Barnsley are Dodworth and Stairfoot.

## Comments and Suggestions

If you have any comments or suggestions about 'One Barnsley Outlook' or you would like to raise an issue, please contact the details at bottom of page. We welcome any new ideas related to "One Barnsley Outlook".