

**Leicestershire Together Priority Actions**

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<b>PSA Targets</b>				
Increase the percentage of pupils obtaining 5 GCSEs at A-C grades from 53.2% currently to 63% by summer 2005.	2005	Target not achieved. Percentage of pupils achieving 5 or more A* - C in summer 2005 was 57.0%.		Complete
In partnership with District Councils, provide additional recycling and composting above statutory targets to achieve around 35% by 2005/2006, an overall increase of around 52% on current levels	2006	Target fully achieved. Final result: 111,160 tonnes		Complete
Improve our cost effectiveness on a range of services giving 7.5% improvement overall by 2005/06	2006	Still awaiting confirmation of final results. Indications are that this target will be fully achieved.		Complete
Increase the number of people with disabilities assisted into work from 112 to 628 by 2005/06	2006	Target partly achieved. Final number of people with disabilities assisted into paid work: 109 - target achieved. Final number of people with disabilities assisted into permitted paid work: 110 - target partly achieved. Final number of people with disabilities assisted to engage in voluntary work: 243 - target not achieved		Complete
Implement road safety measures, including road improvements, road safety education and safety camera enforcement to bring about a reduction of 28% by 2005/06 in the numbers killed or seriously injured, compared with the 1994-98 average, to 235	2005	Target partly achieved. County Council roads target met - final total 220. Trunk road target not achieved - final total 56		Complete

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<b>on County roads and 42 on trunk roads</b>				
<b>Increase the number of drug users in treatment six programmes from 972 to 1,150 by 2005/06. Six GP's to be involved in treating drug users by 2005/06</b>	<b>2006</b>	<b>Still awaiting final result for one element of this target. Final number of GPs involved in planned closures of drug users in Charnwood and NW Leicestershire: 23 - target achieved</b>		<b>Complete</b>
<b>Reduce car crime by 20% from current levels by 2005/06</b>	<b>2006</b>	<b>Target fully achieved. Number of vehicle crimes in 2005/06 - 5,467</b>		<b>Complete</b>
<b>Increase the percentage of pupils achieving level 5 in English from 30% to 39% and in Maths from 29% to 38% by summer 2005</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>Target not achieved. Final results: English - 26%, Maths - 31%</b>		<b>Complete</b>
<b>Increase the percentage of pupils obtaining five GCSEs at A-C grades from 53.2% currently to 63% by summer 2005</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>Target not achieved. Percentage of pupils achieving 5 or more A* - C in summer 2005 was 57.0%</b>		<b>Complete</b>
<b>Achieve an increase for pupils in special schools obtaining their personal targets from 78% to 86% in pupils obtaining their personal targets by summer 2006</b>	<b>2006</b>	<b>Target fully achieved. Final percentage 87.7%</b>		<b>Complete</b>
<b>Increase the percentage of leavers (aged 19) going into education, training or employment from 50% to 80% by 2005/06. Achieve a reduction in secondary school absences from 21% to 9%. For primary children: improvement in their educational achievement at key stage 2</b>	<b>2006</b>	<b>Target partly achieved. Final percentage of looked after children engaged in employment, education or training at the age of 19 was 80% - this element of the target was therefore achieved. The average points score gain between Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 for looked after children with an average point score of 12 or more at Key</b>		<b>Complete</b>

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		Stage 1 was 11.8 - this element of the target was achieved. All other elements of this target were not achieved		
Increase reporting of the number of incidents of domestic violence from 4,294 to 4,852 by 2005/06. More support for victims to reduce the repeat victimisation rate by 2005/06	2006	Target partly achieved. Number of repeat victims of domestic violence recorded by the police and number of domestic violence perpetrators successfully completing the Core Perpetrator Programme fully achieved (1,518 and 41 respectively). Number of statement retractions by domestic violence victims not achieved (over 45). Number of incidents of domestic violence reported to the police partly achieved (5,363)		Complete
<b>Leicestershire Together</b>				
Use the Citizens Panel to gather information about the needs of local communities and to assess the impact of the Leicestershire Together action plan	2005	Citizens panel currently being refreshed. Project plan in place, general and targeted recruitment of new Panel underway. On track to achieve new Panel in place for the new year 2007		In progress
Produce a Community Cohesion action plan and <b>implement the three projects identified as a priority</b>	2005	Community Cohesion was one of the 6 themes identified in the BME Citizens Jury. As a consequence, areas for development have been identified in the CJ action plan. The need has been identified to carry out further research into how Community Cohesion in Leicestershire should be addressed as a partnership approach. <b>Youth Champion Grants, Engaging young people in consultation (Belvoir Bash) and drama workshops were held in 2005.</b>		In progress/ <b>Complete</b>
Review and co-ordinate the location, focus and key	2005	The audit of information contained within the		In

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activities of the range of community development workers working in the county		community development worker database has now been completed. In total the database holds 380 records of community development workers based within Leicestershire. The data is currently being uploaded into the database and the site will shortly be made 'live'. Colleagues from the Leicester and Leicestershire Learning Partnership will use the database to contact colleagues across the community development field to inform them of events and meetings. It will also be promoted within their Local Learning Forums and the quarterly Community Development Worker Forums.		progress
<b>Develop a web based funding toolkit to give better access to information, advice and guidance on funding opportunities for community groups in Leicestershire</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>The Funding Toolkit went live on 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2006. The site had 2,858 visits in the first three months. In all 220 individuals have registered to use the searchable database and there have been 644 visits to the database. A fuller users report is available on request to the Project Manager. Development and Launch now complete Now in operation phase</b>		<b>Complete</b>
<b>Develop and launch (January 2005) a web portal containing statistical information about communities in Leicestershire, including data at small area level on deprivation, the economy, education, census, crime and health</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>The service is available at <a href="http://www.lsora.org">http://www.lsora.org</a> and now has 1,000 registered users from the widest spectrum of county and city partner organisations.  The service will be publicised to members of the public in 2006/2007</b>	<b>Leicester Partnership &amp; Leicester Shire Economic Partnership (LSEP)</b>	<b>Complete</b>
By December 2005 Leicestershire Together partners to have published policies showing how they will make	2005	Strategy produced, roll-out to partners needed		In progress

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<p>information about their services accessible to all sections of the community e.g. by making it available in different languages and formats</p>				
<p>Agree multi-agency arrangements for better access to services through new joint face-to-face access centres and better arrangements for receiving telephone calls and managing websites, including: one service shop in each town; extending the hours so that some services are available during evenings and at weekends; new website covering Leicestershire, young people, public safety, public transport and health; arrangements to provide access to areas and groups which are hard to reach</p>	<p>2006</p>	<p>The project has developed as anticipated and in total 16 projects will be supported by the programme over the three years. This includes 10 capital projects resulting in new access centres across the County. The following 8 capital projects that have been completed to date: Coalville Library &amp; Access Centre; Ibstock Family Access Centre; Broughton Astley Library &amp; Access Centre; Mobile Childcare &amp; Access Centre; Moira Youth &amp; Community Access Centre; Mountsorrel Library &amp; Access Centre; Melton Learning Hub; Cobden Access &amp; Children's Centre.</p> <p>A further 3 centres will be supported by the end of the programme in April 2007. These are the Skills Mission Access Centre in Oadby, the Bagworth Community Access Centre and the Melton Access Centre.</p>	<p>District Local Strategic Partnership</p>	<p>In progress</p>
<p>Implement specific actions arising from the Strategic Assessment of Service Delivery Issues, conducted in May/June 2004, including: an audit of community facilities across Leicestershire; an audit of community transport across the county; a working group on recruitment and retention issues, particularly in the areas of Social Services, Health and Education</p>	<p>2005</p>	<p>The <b>audit of Community Facilities</b> was completed in 2005. Work is now ongoing to develop an accessible website to display the information. The second phase of the <b>Charnwood Development Transport Study</b> was completed in March 2006. The report was well received. The Steering Group has continued to meet to work towards the delivery of the recommendations contained within the report.</p>		<p>In progress</p>

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		These include work towards funding bids, the raising of the profile of community transport in Charnwood and the development of a district wide support group. A similar study in Harborough District commenced in March 2006. The report is due 2006. After further consideration it was agreed that the <b>recruitment &amp; retention</b> action would be delivered by other means. Recruitment and Retention		
Set ourselves (public agencies and authorities) challenging targets against the Equality Standard of Local Government. The County Council to achieve level 5 of the Equality Standard by 2007	2007	The Council has achieved Level 2 of the Equality Standard. Given the significant new statutory requirements, the review of the Equality Standard and the learning that has taken place during work to achieve Levels 1 and 2, December 2007 is considered a realistic target date for the achievement of Level 3 of the Standard.		In progress
Implement an action plan to address the priorities for action identified by the citizens jury for Disabled People held in July 2004	2006	Action plan implemented and circulated to Leicestershire Together Partners. Little progress on addressing issues raised by the jury – a more joined up partnership approach needed		In progress
<b>Hold a Citizens Jury for people from Black and Minority Ethnic communities in Winter 2005</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>Citizens Jury event held November 2005. Action plan developed and follow-up event planned for 17<sup>th</sup> November 2006</b>		<b>Complete</b>
<b>Review the Renewal and Development Framework for Charnwood Borough and apply in an appropriate format across the County</b>	<b>Ongoing</b>	<b>Fed into revised Charnwood Community Strategy. Agreed not to apply in this format in other areas</b>		<b>Complete</b>
Support the work of the Leicester, Leicestershire and	Ongoing	Safer Communities element of LAA now finalised		In

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Rutland Community Safety Programme Board (CSPB) in improving cross-agency working to reduce levels of crime and disorder across the County		and delivery of outcomes and targets in early stages; Prolific Offender Strategy showing signs of significant reductions in levels of offending by PPOs (also a LAA reward target); Violent crime analysis has focussed on 3 areas – youth crime, night time economy (town centre disorder) and domestic violence for which action plans are under development. (DV is also a LAA reward target); Overall crime reduction targets now incorporated into LAA. Still above target but action being developed to begin to bring down. Target period extended through inclusion in LAA to March 2009; Expression of interest submitted to extend Single Non Emergency Number (SNEN) to county which if agreed by Home Office will help improve recording and monitoring of levels of ASB as well as providing a more comprehensive multi-agency response to ASB referrals; Neighbourhood policing teams have been established and recruitment of second tranche (22) of County Council funded Police Community Support Officers scheduled for August and September will bring total to 50; Targeted work in Priority Neighbourhoods also an LAA Safer Communities outcome		progress
<b>Leicestershire County Council</b>				
Increase patronage on commercially run and County Council contract bus services from 14.7m people in 2002/03 to 15.3m in 2005/06	2006	Distribution of new publicity for the Rural Rider complete. Marketing Plan for 2006/07 complete. Review of Airline Shuttle service in progress. Central Leicestershire Bus Guide reprinting complete	Bus operators	In progress
<b>Work with the Rural Transport Partnerships to achieve by 2005 the maximum affordable level of</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>The study of the success of Rural Transport Partnerships and funding streams has reported</b>		<b>Complete</b>

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<p>access to services by public transport for the 5% of people who do not have access to an hourly bus service</p>		<p>to the LSEP, the study was undertaken by STAR (Sustainable Transport And Research) Consultancy in April 2006. Further work on the way in which funding is awarded has been recommended. The report also recommends a new Strategic Group to determine the role of rural transport delivery better guiding the work of Rural Transport Partnerships and closely linking this work to the Accessibility Strategy developed for the Local Transport Plan 2006-2011. The Rural Transport Partnership is currently awaiting instruction from the lsep and emda on the application process for future funding. It is hoped to submit a bid during the next quarter</p>		
<p>Run pilot services for providing better access to health services by public transport during 2004 and prepare an action plan for expansion in 2005</p>	<p>2005</p>	<p>An Action Plan for expansion was completed and has been incorporated into the Accessibility Action Plan. Delivery of expanded services is planned to commence in early Spring 2007. The delay has been due to difficulties obtaining funding. Capital funding has been secured through the Local Transport Plan. Revenue funding is being sought</p>	<p>Rural transport partnerships, Primary care and NHS trusts</p>	<p>Complete</p>
<p>In the second local transport plan, covering the period 2006 to 2011, set targets for containing congestion in the worst affected areas and thereafter carry out the measures to achieve this, including making best use of available road space, improving the bus service alternative, and influencing travel behaviour to reduce car use</p>	<p>2011</p>	<p>From September to November 2005 we consulted on the Provisional Local Transport Plan (published in July 2005) and it's Environmental Report (published in September 2005). In March 2006 we produced, submitted to Government and distributed widely the full second Local Transport Plan 2006-2011 (LTP2). In July 2006 we produced, submitted to Government and distributed widely the Delivery Report on the first Local Transport Plan 2001-2006 (LTP1). LTP2 and</p>		<p>Complete/ Ongoing</p>

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		the Delivery Report have also been published on the Internet via the County Council's website. We are now focussing on delivery of LTP2.		

**Leicestershire Together Other Actions**

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<b>Lead Agency - Leicestershire Together</b>				
Hold at least one citizens jury per year	2005	A Citizens Jury for disabled people was held in 2004, followed by a Citizens Jury for Black & Minority Ethnic people in 2005. Work is in progress to take forward the action plans developed at both juries. There will not be a Citizens Jury in 2006, instead the resources will be used to progress the action plans from the previous juries		Complete
Assist Leicestershire Learning & Skills Council in raising the level of skills within the Leicestershire workforce, focusing in particular on the key sectors of health, education, manufacturing, construction and hospitality	2005	Enrolments across our priority sectors has been considerable, with 47,534 enrolments within the priority areas indicated. Success rates of those learners engaged has increased in all except one sector, but all are above national benchmarks. Due		Complete / In progress

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		to reporting timescales, progress for 05/06 will be available in January 2007 which will show complete enrolments and success rates for those learners engaged in the 2005/06 academic year by sector		
<b>Support the Association of Parish and Local Councils in developing Local Parish Councils, by encouraging them to apply for Quality Council Status and develop websites. Encourage non-parished areas to consider Parish Council Status</b>	<b>2006</b>	<b>The LRP has financially assisted the Association of Local and Town Parish Councils to undertake the quality council project for the last two years</b>		<b>Complete</b>
<b>Develop a protocol to ensure that the results of consultation activities such as Citizens' Panels and Juries are used effectively, disseminated widely and fed into the decision making process. Ensure that the voluntary and community sector are involved in this process in the most timely and efficient way</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>Voluntary Sector Compact Code of Practice in place. Results of key consultations such as the Citizens Juries being shared with key Leicestershire Together and voluntary sector partners. County Council consultation standards and toolkit also widely promoted to other groups</b>		<b>Complete</b>
<b>Pilot at least one new method of consultation to seek the views of those who do not normally respond to consultation</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>Voting Handsets purchased by Leicestershire Together and Leicestershire County Council and used widely at a range of events and with a range of stakeholders</b>		<b>Complete</b>
<b>Prepare a Joint Consultation Strategy for involving young people in decision making;</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>The Youth Service worked with the County Youth Council (CYCLE) to develop a strategy for</b>		<b>Complete</b>

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<b>Implement a range of activities to engage and involve young people in decision making</b>		<b>actively involving young people. This was incorporated into the C&amp;YP Plan and forms part of the current progress toward achieving the 'Hear by Right' standard that is one of our LAA targets</b>		
Work towards reducing the teenage conception rate, with the specific aim of having the rate of conceptions among young women aged less than 18 years between 1998 and 2010	2010	The 2004 conception data which was released in Feb 06 showed that since 1998 Leicestershire has seen a 20.2% reduction in its under 18 conception rate. Leicestershire had therefore exceeded the 15% interim national target. Priorities for the Leicestershire Teenage Pregnancy Partnership Board are; Supporting sexual health services to ensure that they are discrete, credible, highly visible and young people friendly; Strong delivery of SRE within the framework of PSHE; Targeted work with groups of young people who are at a greater risk of teenage pregnancy and in 'hotspot' areas that have higher rates; Workforce training – equipping more of the Children and Young People's workforce to deliver sexual health work; Work with parents, giving them the confidence to discuss sex and relationship issues so that they can better support young people in making positive choices		In progress
Work with Leicestershire Learning & Skills Council and other partners in further education to improve the participation of 16-18 year olds in education and training and to improve the achievement of appropriate vocational qualifications	2005	Awaiting progress report		In progress
<b>Leicestershire Together partners to co-ordinate</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>Quarterly newsletters produced with information</b>		<b>Complete</b>

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the use of communications media. A single newsletter for all Leicestershire LSP's to be produced every quarter from December 2004		on County and District LSP's. Varying contributions from districts, resulting in plans to make an electronic version available on the Leicestershire Together website in future		
<b>Lead Agency - Leicester Shire Economic Partnership</b>				
Establish an Image for Leicestershire and Leicester, to which all Leicestershire Together partners can subscribe, which promotes it's qualities to attract inward investment and tourism, including by; Agreeing a structure for the delivery of inward investment, place marketing and tourism services; Putting in place arrangements for developing a detailed action plan for approval by partners in 2004/2005; Creating/safeguarding 3,000 jobs in 2004-07; Creating 46 new businesses in 2004 - 07; Managing 1500 investor enquiries in 2004-07; Holding 108 investor meetings/visits in 2004-07	2007	Action plan and structure in place and agreed with emda to deliver inward investment services. Progress is being made in developing the sub-region`s image. LSEP`s contracted outputs with emda are revised yearly. Targets for jobs created/safeguarded, new businesses, investor enquiries and investor meetings have been met in 2004/06 period.		In progress
<b>Develop a web-based portal to promote what is going on in Leicestershire for tourists and local people</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>Website created and regularly updated by Leicestershire Promotions</b>		<b>Complete</b>
Assist the Leicester Shire Economic Partnership in delivering key actions from the Leicester Shire Economic Development Strategy and Action Plan for 2004-07, and in so doing, create/safeguard 1,750 jobs; Remediate/recycle 27 hectares of Brownfield land; Create/ attract 565 new businesses; Create 3,250 individual learning opportunities; Support 675	2004-07	LSEP Business Plan revised yearly in contract with emda. In delivering emda contracted outputs for County and City LSEP has helped to create/safeguard 1,558 jobs 2004/06 (target 1,050) and is on target to deliver 1,000 jobs in 2006/07; supported the creation of 224 new businesses 2004/06 (target 205) and is on target to deliver 80		In progress

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businesses to increase their use of ICT; Create 35 new social enterprises; Ensure 170 people over 45 receive advice on returning to the labour market		new businesses in 2006/07; delivered 1,562 learning opportunities in 2004/06 (target 1,300) and is on target to deliver 1,000 learning opportunities in 2006/07. LSEP has not met original reclamation of brownfield land targets and emda has agreed that the target was unrealistic. A target of 1 hectare is set for 2006/07 which is expected to be achieved. Other outputs listed were achieved in 2004/06 but have since been withdrawn as main targets following national revisions to the target framework		
<b>Lead Agency - Leicestershire Early Years Development &amp; Childcare Partnership</b>				
<b>Ensure an increased use in libraries by families with young children by March 2006</b>	<b>2006</b>	<b>16% increase in children aged 0-4 joining the library at March 2006 on March 2005. 8.5% increase in the number of issues (books borrowed by children)</b>		<b>Complete</b>
<b>Create 400 childcare places in targeted areas and develop 1,000 childcare taster placement opportunities for lone parents and workless families by March 2006</b>	<b>2006</b>	<b>400 childcare places created, and 1,000 childcare taster placements offered</b>		<b>Complete</b>
<b>Develop three fully operational Children's Centres, which offer integrated services for families</b>	<b>2006</b>	<b>Complete, new build for Cobden Children's centre to be finished Dec 22 06</b>		<b>Complete</b>

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Achieve the National Standard for Qualification of the childcare workforce locally so that 93% of leaders are qualified by 2006 to NVQ Level 3 or above, with 65% of paid staff qualified to NVQ Level 2 or above	Ongoing	94% of childcare leaders are qualified to NVQ level 3 or above. 64% of other staff hold an NVQ level 2 or above. 68% of all full day care staff have achieved level 2		Complete
Establish 1,448 new childcare places, including 1,061 in the 20% most disadvantaged wards and in smaller pockets of disadvantage, and establish 55 new childcare places in the Children's Centre wards by March 2006	2006	4764 childcare places have been created exceeding the target of 1448 set the SureStart unit		Complete
Achieve a 12% reduction in the proportion of young children living in households where no-one is working, in children's centres wards by March 2006	2006	Working in partnership with job centre plus to develop data. Many activities underway		In progress
Deliver the key outcomes in the Sure Start Strategic Plan 2004-06	2006	3 of the 37 actions were not met, all other actions met or exceeded. 3 remaining are: Links to local strategic partnerships - LSP's are at different stages of development, this is now an ongoing action; Ratio's of opening's to closures - we have not met the target for every 10 childminders who start 9 will close (10:9), currently the ratio is 10:12. the reason is that childminders are returning to work outside of the home and some child minders are finding it difficult to fill their vacant places; we did not achieve 300 childcare providers embarked on or completed the Leicestershire Integrated Quality Assurance scheme, 248 childcare providers have embarked on the scheme but due to the changes in OFSTED'S inspection framework and the government removing		In progress

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		investors in children some providers have been apprehensive about starting the scheme		
Information and guidance on breast feeding, nutrition, hygiene and safety available/ given to all families with young children in Children's Centre wards	2006	Data difficult to attain from N.H.S, working in partnership to find ways around issues		In progress
<b>Provide nursery education for all three and four year olds whose parents wish to take it up</b>	<b>2004-06</b>	<b>All 4 year olds and 97% of 3 year olds have benefited from early years education in 2005/06</b>		<b>Complete</b>
Ensure all children with special educational needs (SEN)/ disabilities, whose parents wish it, are able to access early education and/ or childcare provision in mainstream settings by March 2006	2006	562 children are in mainstream early years settings. This equates to approximately 80% of children with identified SEN / disabilities. Nearly 100%of children with identified SEN / disabilities are attending some form of early education and childcare		In progress
<b>Lead Agency - Leicestershire County Council</b>				
Conduct an audit of current school sports/leisure facilities and develop or improve 15 new community and leisure facilities on school and college sites by 2006	2006	From the Big Lottery Fund Portfolio of 15 projects, 8 have been completed, 4 are currently under construction, 1 project is due to start October 06 and 1 project is at pre tender stage. 1 project was removed from the portfolio and completed using		In progress

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		alternative funding. 13 of the 14 Big Lottery Fund projects will be complete by April 2007. Funding is being sought for a partnership wide sports facilities strategy to be managed by the County Sports Partnership		
Establish 10 Access Centres across the County which offer a range of services including basic skills and IT training, jobs and careers advice and childcare facilities and internet access	2008	Six centres have been completed and a further five are underway		In progress
Work with partner agencies to enable equal access for teenage parents to allow more into education, training or employment and therefore reduce the risk of long-term social exclusion	2010	29.1% of young mothers in education, employment and training. 2010 target is 60%. We have done an audit of learning providers across the City and County with the LSC to identify how we can support them to become more accessible to young parents. Youth Service, Connexions and PCT are working with South Leicestershire College to look at developing new learning provision for young parents. Through our Achieve Economic Well-being Working Group we are planning promotion events to increase take-up of Caretolearn childcare funding. We are working with CIS to provide support for young parents to access childcare services		In progress
Support the Clean Leicestershire Environmental And Neighbourhood (CLEAN) project that will provide an education and awareness campaign and an enforcement team to reduce the incidence of fly	2005	It has been very difficult for the County Council to progress this as it is largely a District Council function (for the removal of fly tipping). It was suggested that this could be progressed through the		In progress

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tipping in the County		Leicestershire Waste Management Partnership and the Partnership Project Manager (PPM). However, the post is vacant at present, although we are hoping to appoint soon		
Rebuild or refresh 12 libraries in shopping centres and market towns by 2010	2010	7 Libraries have been refurbished/ refreshed to date		In progress
Increase to 78% the percentage of the length of footpaths and other Rights of Way that are signposted where they leave Rights of Way and are easy to use by members of the public	2006	77.3% in 2005/06 Target of 80% by 2008		In progress
<b>Increase access to the countryside by improving 600kms of the Rights of Way network per year</b>	<b>2006</b>	<b>Target for increased access achieved.</b>		<b>Complete</b>
<b>Take action to increase the number of buildings removed from the listed Buildings at Risk register to four per year</b>	<b>2006</b>	<b>4 buildings have been removed from the Buildings at Risk Register</b>		<b>Complete</b>
<b>Improve access to and quality of libraries by extending evening and weekend opening hours</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>50 libraries are open all day Saturday. Loughborough is open on a Sunday. Extended evening opening where there is a demand</b>		<b>Complete</b>
<b>100 new Internet Access Points to be installed in libraries by 2006</b>	<b>2006</b>	<b>All computers Installed</b>		<b>Complete</b>
Increase year on year the proportion of Elderly People supported in their own home and continue to	2008	The target in 2008 is that 34% of older people requiring intensive care receive it in the community		In progress

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reduce the numbers requiring long term care by 2008		as opposed to permanent residential or nursing care. At the end of August 2006, performance in Leicestershire was 38%		
<b>By 2006, the County Council, in partnership with the NHS will aim to increase the number of people who access a range of rehabilitation and preventative services aimed at helping them to remain at home to 700 per year</b>	<b>2006</b>	<b>In 2005/06, just over 1,400 people accessed intermediate care services</b>		<b>Complete</b>
<b>An additional 70 carers will be supported in the community across Leicestershire</b>	<b>2006</b>	<b>Between 2004/05 and 2005/06 the number of carers supported by the authority increased by over 500</b>		<b>Complete</b>
Work with all District/Borough councils in Leicestershire, Police and Fire authorities, and CSCI (Commission for Social Care Inspection), to develop work placement opportunities for looked after children as part of the "Teenagers to Work" Initiative in 2005	2005	North West Leicestershire became a lot more active in 2006. A new rep. joined the steering group and they also had meetings with senior managers to get the re-stated commitment to assist with placements where possible - particularly with trades. We have not had any suitable applicants to date but we remain hopeful. Our relationship with Harborough is much stronger this year, since they employed a children's services manager, who personally had a young person on a 1 day placement. The Harborough Children's services manager is now a member of steering group. Nobody from Oadby/Wigston has attended for over a year. There is a new Project worker in post who has started to make contacts. An offer was received from Melton police, concerns over health and safety are being assessed, and we have also received an outline offer from a hairdressing training centre which we are		In progress

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		progressing		
Increase the range of subsidised/free Leisure and Cultural facilities for looked after children and their carers by at least two further providers	2005	Reported through the LAA Advocacy document		In progress
Raise aspirations and encourage future participation by providing opportunities for Looked After Children and their carers to access services by developing and sustaining links with other providers, including District Councils for free or concessionary leisure schemes. To develop new opportunities for Culture and Leisure pursuits	2005	Awaiting report on progress		In progress
Raise awareness across strategic partnerships of the needs of housebound frail older people in Leicestershire. Develop action plans to extend the range of community services used by frail older people	2006	LAA In place with partnership agreement on specific outcomes		In progress
Modernise services for people with learning disabilities: New Day Services - for Oadby/Wigston and Blaby areas by January 2005 and Charnwood by 2006/07; Accommodation Respite services introduced by 2006/07 for Oadby/Wigston/Blaby areas	2007	Day Services in the Oadby/Wigston/Blaby area are now provided from small community bases throughout the district. People are supported to access a range of community facilities. In Charnwood, progress has been delayed by the difficulty in finding suitable bases in the community. Possible bases have now been identified in Shepshed and Loughborough. Good progress has been made with plans for new supported living accommodation in Oadby/Wigston/Blaby. Plans for a new respite service cannot be progressed until		In progress

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Undertake a Disability Audit of local County Council services, taking account of the views and knowledge of local Disability Access Groups and organisations, to make them more accessible for disabled people	2005	<p>planning permission issues are resolved</p> <p>We have an ongoing programme of disability access audits for the physical environment of County Council Buildings. The County Council's Access Auditor has responsibility for this. As far as services are concerned we have a process of Equality Impact Assessments which are designed to make sure that our services are meeting everyone's needs (including disabled people) and that people who need our services have access to them. Managers have received training in undertaking Equality Impact Assessments and this process should pick up the areas of service related policy, practices and procedures etc</p>		In progress
Improve disabled access to County Council buildings open to the public to 100% by 2005/06	2006	<p>A number of County Council buildings are unlikely to ever be DDA accessible; this may change, but only if buildings are sold or re-building takes place. Therefore, the target has been revised, in-line with the BVPI to the following; 06/07=82% of buildings accessible, 07/08=86% accessible and 08/09=90% accessible</p>		In progress
Establish a county wide Equality & Diversity group of public sector organisations to share good practice and learning to help drive the agenda forward in Leicestershire by 2006	2006	<p>The intention is to establish this group as part of the development of the action plan responding to the recommendations of the Citizens Jury for People from Black and Minority Ethnic Communities</p>		In progress
Halt the deterioration of roads by 2004 and thereafter work to remove the backlog of worn out carriage way	2010	<p>District Councils continuing work to achieve this</p>		In progress

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by 2010				
Improve information about planned road works, and improve arrangements for customers to contact the service, such that the number of people satisfied with these aspects of the service increases from 36% in 2001 to at least 55% in 2006	2006	Awaiting report on progress		In progress
Develop a Staff Recruitment and Workforce Development Strategy for the Youth Service by September 2005, with: Part time vacancy rates reduced to 20%; 20% of all responsible part time leaders posts a minimum of 460 hours per annum; Expand the trainee youth worker scheme by establishing one traineeship in each area by October 2004	2005	Progress to developing a Service strategy has been incorporated into the broader CYPS Workforce Development programme. Vacancy rate for p/t staff continues to fluctuate around 20%. All vacancies are now reviewed at Area level and posts combined to create larger contracts wherever possible. Trainee posts have been created in each Area, but costs are growing significantly and any continuation or future expansion of the scheme will depend on identifying additional resources		In progress
<b>Provide homework support in all libraries by the end of 2006</b>	<b>2005/06</b>	<b>Study strategy implemented September 2006</b>		<b>Complete</b>
<b>Develop a County Youth Council that offers representation to young people from across the county.</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>County Youth Council (CYCLe) established and meeting regularly. CYCLe has contributed to C&amp;YP Plan and is actively engaged in designing and delivering services</b>		<b>Complete</b>
<b>Work with partners to develop Youth Forums/ Councils in each district/ borough</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>Local forums created and meeting regularly. Actively contributing to identifying priorities for</b>		<b>Complete</b>

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		young people in District area		
Ensure representation and effective engagement by young people on each area youth advisory committee in order to influence planning and delivery of services	2005	Some representation and attendance enabled, but not consistently. This lack of progress was identified in a recent review of the committees and has been addressed in proposals for alternative ways to fulfil the aims of the committees		In progress
<b>Continue to provide funds to support local groups and the voluntary sector in establishing and maintaining youth clubs and activities across the county</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>Grant aid to voluntary youth organisations continues to be made available. The Youth Service works closely with LCVYS, the local umbrella organisation for voluntary youth organisations, to promote funding opportunities across its network</b>		<b>Complete</b>
Continue to consult with children and families in Leicestershire's Children's Centre wards to ensure services developed reflect and meet local community needs	2006	All children's centres have parent networks where consultation takes place. Parents are also part of the children's centre board and play an active role in service delivery		In progress
Improve the quality and range of foster and adoption provision	2005	Awaiting report on progress		In progress
Identify areas of joint working and collaboration to promote the social inclusion of children and young people	2005	Awaiting report on progress		In progress

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Ensure that all schools have drug education and sex and relationship policies in place by March 2006	2006	One of the criteria that schools need to achieve to gain national healthy school status is the requirement to have up to date policies in place-developed through wide consultation, implemented, and monitored and evaluated for impact covering sex and relationships education, drug education and incidents and non smoking policies. Currently 96 schools have achieved healthy school status with a further 21 schools going for accreditation this term (total 117)- all of whom will have policies in place. A Further 112 schools are in the process of 'working towards healthy school status' and therefore 229 schools (80%) of schools will either have policies in place/ working towards having policies in place		In progress
Ensure that 150 schools meet the national Healthy Schools standard by March 2006	2006	One of the criteria that schools need to achieve to gain national healthy school status is the requirement to have up to date policies in place-developed through wide consultation, implemented, and monitored and evaluated for impact covering sex and relationships education, drug education and incidents and non smoking policies. Currently 96 schools have achieved healthy school status with a further 21 schools going for accreditation this term (total 117)- all of whom will have policies in place. A Further 112 schools are in the process of 'working towards healthy school status' and therefore 229 schools (80%) of schools will either have policies in place/ working towards having policies in place.		In progress
<b>Implement the national Continuous Professional Development (CPD) initiative for teachers (20 trained by June 2005)</b>	<b>2006</b>	<b>National CPD for Physical Education now impacts on over 200 teachers per term</b>		<b>Complete</b>

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<p>Using information and communications technology to transform schools by, for example: Enabling parents/ guardians to apply for school places on line for the 2007 school year; Providing synchronous broadband connections for all schools by August 2006; Ensuring that teachers are competent to use ICT to raise standards with all pupils in all schools in all subjects</p>	<p>2006-07</p>	<p>The online system has been developed and has been in use since Summer 2006; parents are currently applying online for school transfers in September 2007; and the number of online applications has already reached the required national target. The target of all schools on minimum 2mb for primary and 8mb for secondary by August has been moved to December 2006. So far as of end September 89%, planned by end December 98.2%. There are 6 schools that do not want to be part of embc although 2 of those will have 8mb synchronous connections so have included in 98.2%</p>		<p>Complete</p>
<p>Promote Information and Advice for Young People through schools and colleges</p>	<p>2005</p>	<p>6 Connexions Centres now open across the county to promote information and advice to Young People. The Centres are situated in Hinckley, Coalville, Loughborough, Market Harborough, Melton &amp; South Charnwood and South Wigston</p>		<p>Complete</p>
<p>Work together to use Information Communications Technology in a pilot project to enhance information, booking and enquiry services for local visitor attractions</p>	<p>2005</p>	<p>Pilot status now removed and project now integrated into Leicester Shire Promotion's 'goleicestershire' website and managed by this organisation. The database is also used by staff responding to calls to Leicester Shire Promotions tourist information line. A network of electronic points/kiosks is being rolled out across the County</p>		<p>Complete</p>

Lead Agency - ENABLE

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Implement three Environmental Improvement Schemes across the county per year in response to "demand" and as funding allows	Ongoing	Target achieved for Environmental Improvement Schemes.		Complete
Achieve 21 schools with Eco-School status by March 2005	2005	28 Eco schools at March 2005 (Currently 43 schools either achieved eco-school status or working towards it)		Complete
Produce a Climate Change Strategy for partnership approval (including an action plan), by the end of March 2005	2005	Achieve 21 schools with Eco-School status by March 2005		In progress
Lead the community by raising awareness of environmental good practice by ensuring environmental and biodiversity considerations are considered in the development of strategies and action plans	2006	Strategic Overview of Leicestershire's Environment produced April 2004. Community Action Pack produced March 2006		In progress
Raise awareness of sustainable energy sources, such as solar and wind power and promote successful local schemes	2006	Part covered by Climate Change Strategy and by Action Plan (under preparation) - support given to District base		In progress
Support the implementation of the Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland Biodiversity Action Plan and work to protect priority habitats, and look for opportunities for creating further habitats	Ongoing	County Council supports the Biodiversity Action Plan project officer and actively supports specific biodiversity improvement projects such as Watermead Reed bed scheme and active management of its 4 SSSIs on Country Parks		In progress

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Support the achievement of the biodiversity enhancement targets in the Leicestershire Biodiversity Action Plan	Ongoing	Leicestershire PSA targets 2003-2006 achieved both for Digitisation of records and Biodiversity Action Plan (BAP) targets. LAA targets for 2006-2009 require achievement of 60% of targets over a three year period		In progress
Raise environmental awareness by working with partners to have in place 117 school travel plans by the end of 2005/06, and to introduce 22 workplace travel plans in 2005, rising to 28 in 2006	2006	117 School Travel Plans and 28 Work Travel Plans now in place		In progress
<b>Lead Agency - Leicestershire Rural Partnership</b>				
Complete Health checks and support the implementation of action plans for eight Market Towns and Rural Centres by 2005, and a further six by 2008. In addition we will: Provide co-ordinated business support in the form of property improvement grants; Provide employment units where needed, by converting upper floors to new economic uses; Encourage sustainable communities through people living, working, shopping and accessing services locally, specifically by refurbishing 840 sq. m of residential floor space above shops; Help promote an enterprise culture through production of up to ten promotional shopping maps/guides for market towns/ rural centres	2008	Healthchecks have been carried out in Broughton Astley, Thurmaston and Earl Shilton. Action plans are being implemented with assistance in Broughton Astley, Earl Shilton, Thurmaston, Market Harborough, Lutterworth, Ibstock, Ashby and Syston. We have produced 10 town centre shopping guides and will be working on a further 3. We have refurbished 1064sqm of floorspace above shops.		In progress
Provide extra support for Post Offices by: Awarding ten grants to rural Post Offices via the Post Office Development Scheme; Locating 12 Community Access Points in Post Offices across the county;	2007	The Post Office Development scheme has been operating for a number of years across the County, and now forms part of the 'Access to Services' programme. Over 20 grants have been provided to		In progress

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Reviewing the frequently asked questions leaflets located in all Leicestershire Post Offices		post offices during the last two years, totalling £33,000 of grant support. The scheme continues to provide support until March 2007, and recent Post Offices supported include Medbourne, Tilton on the Hill, Oakthorpe and Whitwick		
Contribute to the enhancement of market towns through townscape improvements in ten Market Towns and Rural Centres	Ongoing	Work has been carried out in Ashby+Thurmaston - streetscape , Hinckley- town centre sign and jitty signage, Market Harborough+ Loughborough+ Shepshed+Melton Mowbray- gateway feature, Shepshed- signage , Broughton Astley - maps, Lutterworth-cycle racks , South Wigston - street furniture together with Christmas light contributions to most centres		In progress
Develop Market Towns and Rural Centres in a holistic way, ensuring that there are appropriate transport links from the surrounding areas and that key partners, for example the health sector, make facilities (e.g. GP surgeries, dentists etc) available in these "hubs" wherever possible	Ongoing	Trying to work in a holistic way by bringing all grant schemes together in one application this is unfortunately only for the current year 2006/7. The vitality and viability of Market Towns is a priority for the LAA and we are investigating how Market Towns are managed as a whole		In progress
Encourage community led consultation and development by supporting local community groups, including Parish Councils, to complete at least 30 Community Consultation and Engagement processes, including Village Appraisals, Parish Plans and Village Design Statements	2005	The RCC has undertaken a number of community consultation processes during the last 2 years, with both new groups (that usually include Parish Councils) and existing groups who are seeking to deliver actions, identified within their action plans. The LRP is providing a more strategic steer to the work the RCC in undertaking this programme. Through the Rural Social and Community Programme £10,000 is being provided to support 10 'new' communities within Leicestershire and Rutland, of which 5 are identified as priority communities		In progress

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		within both LAA's. The use of core questions will be a requirement should a community group seek to access funding support		
<p>Diversify the rural economy by delivering: A rural visitor accommodation scheme to offer financial assistance for over 50 rural businesses; A Redundant Building Grant scheme that will bring seven buildings back into use and create or safeguard 14 jobs; A Rural Micro Business Grant scheme to support eight businesses; A Farm Business Development Grant scheme to support six agricultural businesses; A Land Based Industries training scheme (through LANTRA) to develop 24 learning opportunities and 40 training plans</p>	2008	<p>Since April 2004, 57 grants have been awarded under the Rural Visitor Grant Scheme; assisting tourism based businesses to develop their facilities, marketing and achieve accreditation. The Farmers Development Grant has paid 25 grants towards developing diversification projects and 57 Micro Businesses based in the rural areas of Leicestershire have benefited from grants towards new capital equipment, marketing activities and training opportunities. The Redundant Building Grant Scheme has created 17 new businesses, refurbished 3,923.70 sq metres and assisted in safeguarding and creating 36 jobs. The grants now delivered as the "Rural Business Support Programme" provide vital financial support to safeguard and create jobs through business creation and expansion. Successful promotion at Leicestershire Rural Business Advice Fair in autumn 2006 involved 28 organisations supporting rural delivery and is a good example of strong partnership links associated with this project. The consolidated business pack and online application form launched in April 2006 continues to attract positive feedback from applicants and officers. The Land-based training scheme project has developed 26 training plans and created 136.51 hours of learning opportunities</p>		In progress
<p>Develop arts and heritage based projects in rural communities such as Rural and Community Touring</p>	2005	This action is still in progress		In progress

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Schemes and Heritage Wardens				
<b>Lead Agency – Rural Transport Partnerships</b>				
Work with young people, including those from traditionally excluded groups, in developing a revised network of evening bus services for the County during 2005 and ensure that these provide the maximum affordable level of access to evening leisure and other activities.	2005	Service introduced and provides transport to a local youth club in Hinckley & Bosworth district. This project has been recommended by the RCC as a national best practice project. We hope to work with traditionally excluded groups more specifically in the next year, as part of the accessibility strategy, resulting services dependant on funding. Plans to expand the service into other districts, dependant on funding		In progress
<b>Lead Agency - CVS Community Partnership</b>				
Develop codes of practice on volunteering, community groups, funding, Black & Minority Ethnic groups, consultation and Policy Appraisal by December 2005	2005	Codes on volunteering, funding and consultation drafted. Voluntary Sector colleagues leading on BME Code. Intend to review need for Code on Community groups		In progress
<b>Support the development and implementation of COMPACTS in Melton, Charnwood, Oadby &amp; Wigston and North West Leicestershire and the Learning Compact with the Learning &amp; Skills Council</b>	2005	<b>Local COMPACTS have been developed and are being implemented in the 7 District Council areas of Leicestershire. The County Compact Implementation Group has been working on a number of Codes of Good Practice, which are likely to be adopted by District-based COMPACTS. The Leicester Shire Compact on Learning &amp; Skills was signed between the</b>		<b>Complete</b>

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		<b>Learning &amp; Skills Council &amp; the Voluntary &amp; Community Sector in July 2005</b>		
<b>Lead Agency - District Councils</b>				
Develop a network of Community Parks.	2005	District Council Led		In progress
Ensure that roads and pavements are cleaned to an appropriate standard compatible with the national code of practice	Ongoing	District Council Led		In progress
<b>Lead Agency - Housing Associations, District Councils, Housing Corporation</b>				
Promote policies that encourage the provision of affordable housing in the county, including the work of the Rural Housing Enabler and additional funding for affordable housing	2008	Policies that encourage the provision of affordable housing in the county are being actively promoted by both the Leicestershire & Rutland Rural Housing Enabler (LRHE) and the Strategic Rural Housing Officer for Leicestershire & Rutland (SRHO)		In progress
<b>Lead Agency - Community Safety Programme Board</b>				
Map and target the specific causes of crime to: Direct resources to individuals, young people and families most at risk of offending through the implementation of the Youth Crime Prevention Strategy; Identify priority neighbourhoods suffering from disproportionately high rates of crime and anti-social behaviour; Reverse the trend of increasing violent crime; Implement the Criminal Justice Invention Programme targeted at those offending, where the crime is related to their drug misuse and the Prolific Offender Strategy based on the three strands of "prevent & deter, catch and convict, rehabilitate and resettle"; Improve and co-ordinate	2005	All of these actions are now part of the outcomes in the Safer Communities Block of the LAA and are being progressed through the outcome delivery plans, supported by the CSPB		In progress

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communications to provide information to reduce the fear of crime; Analyse the nature of hate crime (religious, racial, homophobic and domestic violence) and concentrate resources where they are most needed.				
<b>Through Leicestershire County Council, supported by District Council partners, we will help to fund an increase in the number of Police Community Support Officers</b>	<b>2006</b>	<b>All of the planned 50 PCSOs have been recruited and are now in post</b>		<b>Complete</b>
Support the implementation of the Youth Justice Plan	2005	This is an annual plan which is implemented throughout the course of 2006/07. The review of the 2005/06 Plan showed steady progress and good performance across most priority areas		In progress
<b>Lead Agency - Primary Care &amp; NHS Trusts</b>				
Review measures to promote healthier exercise through GP referral and other means	2005	Work led by local Sports Alliances. Review of exercise referral schemes and revised schemes in place, walking groups set up across the county. Links to LAA (HC target 1)		In progress
Undertake joint measures to reduce the levels of smoking	2005	Wide range of activities underway to reduce smoking, working with schools, in deprived areas, action to reduce illegal sales etc. Links with LAA (HC target 1)		In progress

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Work together to encourage improved diet with emphasis on increased consumption of fruit and vegetables	Ongoing	Food and Health group implementing county-wide strategy, links with Healthy Schools and school meal standards. Childhood obesity surveillance data collection 2006 complete. Work with communities re 'cook and eat' projects etc ongoing. Links with LAA (C&YP)		In progress
Promote activities to reduce the prevalence and effect of sexually transmitted diseases	Ongoing	Chlamydia Screening Group overseeing roll-out of Chlamydia screening programme in Autumn 2006. NHS funding cuts mean roll out slower than planned (also see Action No. 72 above)		In progress
<b>Identify "Target Community Action Zones" for priority attention for healthcare</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>Through LAA process, 18 Leicestershire priority neighbourhoods have been identified for priority attention</b>		<b>Complete</b>
Establish Health promotion plans amongst all employees of partnership agencies	2005	Leicestershire County Mental Health Promotion Group leads on work to implement the HSE Stress Management Standards in workplaces. Healthy Workforce projects and Healthy Workplace Awards projects developed in some localities within the county. Links with LAA (HC target 4)		In progress
Provide sexual health services for young people in local settings	2005	Sexual Health Forum, LLR Strategy Group and Teenage Pregnancy Strategy Groups leading work. Mapping of services near completion, new community-based services set up in south Leicestershire and Harborough area. Links to LAA (HC target 5)		In progress
Develop a combined plan to reduce the number of accidents to children, young adults and elderly	2005	Local Action Group set up. Warning Zone opens in Nov 2006, a health promotion education centre for yr		In progress

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persons		6 children (multi-agency project), Falls Strategy being implemented, multi-agency Road Safety Partnership working to reduce road traffic accidents in the county.		
<b>Lead Agency – Leicestershire Social Care Development Group</b>				
Achieve the National Standard for Qualification of the social care workforce locally, so that at least 50% are qualified to NVQ Level 2 or above by 2006/07	2007	We have developed a Social Care Development Group for Leicestershire's workforce under the regional framework of Skills for Care. We do not monitor the workforce qualification rate yet as the National Minimum Data set work will do this across the England Skills for Care framework		In progress
<b>Lead Agency – Learning Partnership and Learning &amp; Skills Council</b>				
<b>Run seven Local Learning Forums three times a year with worker groups, in conjunction with district LSPs, to provide a focus for local collaborative activity</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>We have run three events per year in each of the seven Districts and will do so again in 2006-7. These are becoming part of the delivery side of the LAA</b>		<b>Complete</b>
Support the learning partnership in delivering key projects, including: Putting in place 12 "Learning in the Community" workers in locations across the County, and five transition workers attached to FE colleges. Target - 2,550 new learners, 195 working towards qualification; 90 new basic skills tutors trained, with support and staff development for existing tutors; Hold a Family Learning Week in October 2005 - target 85 events; Hold 200 events during Adult Learning week in 2005; Distribute 150,000 leaflets through the "You can do it" campaign; Work with young people without a family history of participation in Higher Education through	2006	Work is continuing on all aspects of this. LIC workers were supported until summer 2006 by ESF and then they have become part of the LAA supported Learn2earn project for three years. Targets have been met. FE based workers again ESF support until mid 2006 - again targets met. Work continuing as a part of Stepping Stones to L2 framework. SfL targets met for 2000/04 and estimated that they will be exceeded by 2007. Family Learning week and Adult Learners weeks very successful - 161 events in Family Learning week and 169 events. We have also run the East Midlands Adult Learners Week awards with great success in 2005 and 2006. The 'You Can		In progress

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the "Aim Higher" project		Do It' campaign was followed by the 'What Next' campaign. Evidence is now becoming available of the impact of Aimhigher activity. The project continues to 2008		
Work with the Voluntary and Community sectors to bring about effective partnerships with mainstream providers to engage new adult learners	2005	Work is continuing to develop capacity in VCS organisations through SOL and now VOCOLLS. Links to learning are being made through NLDC projects targeted towards LAA priority areas. The link to the full widening participation framework is being developed through the Stepping Stones to L2 framework		In progress
<b>Lead Agency - Connexions</b>				
<b>Provide a One-Stop-Shop service for young people to go and get information and advice (venues for Connexions Service and other organisations)</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>6 Connexions Centres open across the county</b>		<b>Complete</b>
<b>Lead Agency - County &amp; District Council Planning Officers, Midland Rural Housing</b>				
Develop, monitor and review policies to secure land and funding through the planning system for affordable housing	Ongoing	As well as the SRHO contributing to rural housing strategy at county level, Midlands Rural Housing (MRH) continue to influence, develop and monitor policies that affect affordable rural housing. Over the past few months MRH have been invited to present		In progress

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		to the Affordable Rural Housing Commission during their visit to the region; feed into the Commission for Rural Communities rural housing report; discuss rural housing concerns with Government ministers; input into the emerging Regional Plan, the Local Area Agreement, EMRAF's rural action plan, and be a member of the steering group for the forthcoming Housing Market Assessment for Leicestershire. In all of these instances MRH has secured a profile for affordable rural housing and ensured that it remains a priority area for a variety of policies and organisations		
<b>Lead Agency – Leicestershire Foodlinks</b>				
Promote local food initiatives, for example by: Creating at least two markets every year for the next three years across the County and increasing the frequency of existing farmers markets; Engaging 24 businesses in cluster activities	2008	Farmers markets are now held in a number of towns and rural centres across the County. This includes Melton, Loughborough, Hinckley, Lutterworth, Castle Donnington, Ashby, Market Harborough, Burbage, Leicester, and Blaby. Most of the farmers markets are now co-ordinated and facilitated through the 'Leicestershire Farmers Markets Committee', an arm of Leicestershire Foodlinks. This is a committee made up of producers and farmers; it is run by the committee and is seeking to ensure the markets become more sustainable, competitive and long term		In progress
<b>Lead Agency – Parish Councils, Leicestershire Cultural Strategy Forum and Leisure Centres</b>				
Develop, through consultation with young people, a range of sports, cultural and leisure activities for young people, for example shelters and sports taster	2005	Reported through the LAA Advocacy document		In progress

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days at leisure centres				
<b>Lead Agency - Melton Food Partnership &amp; Leicestershire Promotions</b>				
Build on the 2004 Regional Food & Drink Festival by: Aiming to hold a further 2 food festivals in Melton Mowbray and/ or elsewhere by 2008; Encouraging cluster activities to stimulate innovation and investment in the food and drink cluster; Developing further food related initiatives to help diversify the employment base of rural areas and boost tourism	2007	The East Midlands Food & Drink Festival has been held at Melton for 3 (including 2006) consecutive years. The Festival has grown with the number of producers attending (over 200 expected in 2006), and its development plan is seeking to enable clustering between producers. Further developments are being sought within Melton to develop a Food Centre, currently at feasibility stage, this will enable further clustering and the ability to develop links to food tourism		In progress
<b>Lead Agency - Crime &amp; Disorder reduction strategies</b>				
Improve the promotion of supported housing for young people and crisis accommodation	2005	As Lead Officer for the homelessness indicators within the CYP block of the LAA I can report that promoting supported housing/crisis accommodation for young people has not been a priority. The focus of our work is around homelessness prevention rather than promoting/developing other housing options. The delivery group has identified the need for floating support, to help homeless teenagers take on and manage a tenancy, and the need to develop new supported housing schemes, but these have not been included in year 1 of the Delivery Plan. They will certainly figure in years 2 and 3 but at the moment we are focusing on other initiatives, such as developing mediation schemes to help homeless 16/17 year olds return home and establishing multi-agency forums to jointly assess the needs of homeless young adults		In progress

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<b>Lead Agency - Drug &amp; Alcohol action team</b>				
Develop and co-ordinate inter-agency initiatives to educate 11-18 year olds about the effects of drug and alcohol, misuse and sexual health matters	2005	This is being addressed through the Leicestershire healthy schools programme, 236 (82%) of schools are participating in the programme and there will be 120 (42%) of schools with healthy school status by the end of December 2006. In order to gain healthy school status, schools have to fulfil the criteria for both drug education and sex and relationships education as part of PSHE this includes having a scheme of work and up to date drug policies and SRE policies		In progress
<b>Lead Agency – Country Parks</b>				
Improve access to and interpretation of three Country Park sites by 2007	2007	There has been limited progress on improving the interpretation at three sites this year due to other pressures on the budget		In progress
<b>Lead Agency - LWP</b>				
Encourage local companies and organisations to minimise waste	Ongoing	LCC working with other agencies such as Groundwork to encourage local businesses to minimise waste. LCC don't have direct responsibility to work with businesses.		In progress
<b>Lead Agency – Supporting People, led by housing authorities, supported by Leicestershire County Council.</b>				

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Develop and deliver flexible housing related support services to enable vulnerable people to live more independently	Ongoing	Reviews of all supported housing schemes funded through Supporting People Grant have been completed, allowing the quality, value and strategic relevance of such schemes to be measured, and for improvements to be made as necessary. A Project to identify feasible savings in the Programme to allow reinvestment and development of new provision to meet needs in a flexible and appropriate way is proceeding with the support of all partners.		In progress