Refreshed Sustainable Community Strategy 2010-2013

Improved life chances for vulnerable people and places

- 1.1. Improved life chances for individuals and families
  - 1.1.1 - There is equality of opportunity and access to services which meet the cultural, gender, ethnicity, age and disability needs of vulnerable people
  - 1.1.2 - Vulnerable people have greater choice of personalised, individual services to achieve and sustain independent living
  - 1.1.3. More vulnerable people access appropriate housing and housing related support
  - 1.1.4 - More people (including children, young adults and their families) with long-term illness or disability are supported to be independent and in control of their condition
  - 1.1.5 - Older and disabled adults are protected from violence and abuse
  - 1.1.6 - Reduced isolation of older, disabled and young people living in rural areas
- 1.2 Improved quality of life for people living in the most disadvantaged neighbourhoods (at a faster rate than the County generally)
- 1.3 The lives of offenders and those at risk of offending are improved so they are less likely to offend
  - 1.3.1 - Levels of re-offending by both young and adult offenders are reduced
  - 1.3.2 - The number of first time entrants to the Criminal Justice System is reduced
- 1.4 Children in Leicestershire stay safe
  - 1.4.1 - The number of permanent exclusions is reduced
  - 1.4.2 - There is reduced homelessness among children and young people.
  - 1.4.3 - Children in care remain in placements for longer
  - 1.4.4 - There are less incidents of reported bullying
  - 1.4.5 - Safe recruitment policies are implemented
- 1.5 More older people are able to live independent lives at home
  - 1.5.1 - The First Contact scheme supports more older people to live at home
  - 1.5.2 People with dementia are supported to live at home
  - 1.5.3 There is more community based (rather than hospital based) support to care homes.

Stronger, more cohesive communities

- 2.1 Strong Communities, with high levels of social capital, where people are empowered to play a role in decision making.
  - 2.1.1. All sections of the community, specifically vulnerable people, are able to influence the decisions that affect their lives and to plan, shape and scrutinise local service delivery
  - 2.1.2 Communities and neighbourhoods have their say through a wide range of consultation and engagement activities, and assisted to find local solutions to local problems
  - 2.1.3 Parish and Town Councils act as advocates for, and provide effective support to, their communities.
  - 2.1.4 - There are increased levels of financial and social inclusion in deprived areas
  - 2.1.5 - There are more responses from all sections of the community, especially emerging and minority communities and people with disabilities, during the planning and scrutiny of services. DO WE NEED THIS AND 2.1.1???
  - 2.1.6 - Voter registration and turn out increases across Leicestershire, specifically in priority neighbourhoods.
  - 2.1.7 Local communities, including parish councils, inform planning decisions and have greater influence over new housing provision.
- 2.2 The voluntary and community sector plans and delivers effective frontline services
- 2.3 Leicestershire is a thriving, integrated and cohesive society of many faiths and cultures, with a positive view of equalities and diversity
  - 2.3.1 - Fairness and respect are promoted through all our services
  - 2.3.2 People have equality of access to life opportunities, employment, learning and essential services that meet their needs
  - 2.3.3 We understand, celebrate and value difference, including the culture and beliefs of others.
  - 2.3.4 No individual experiences disadvantage because of their race, disability, gender, age, sexual orientation, religion or belief, gender reassignment, marital status or pregnancy/maternity or their socio-economic status.
- 2.4 Everyone participates in the cultural life of the county
  - 2.4 There is increased access to the arts, recreation and active pursuits
  - 2.4.2 People value the culture and heritage of Leicestershire
- 2.5 Well supported volunteering opportunities are provided within and by the community and people are understand the benefits of volunteering
  - 2.5.1 - All sections of the community, including vulnerable people, are engaged in volunteering activities that contribute to society, maintain an active lifestyle, develop their skills and open up employment opportunities
  - 2.5.2 - More employers offer work taster/volunteering programmes for staff in support of community projects
  - 2.5.3 - There are a diverse range of formal and informal quality volunteering opportunities in the statutory and voluntary sectors
  - 2.5.4 Volunteers are trained and supported effectively to an agreed quality level

A safe and attractive place to live and work

- 3.1 People feel (and are) safe from violence
  - 3.1.1 - Levels of serious violent crime are reduced
  - 3.1.2 - Levels of repeat domestic violence offending are reduced
  - 3.1.3 - Levels of hate incidents are reduced
- 3.2. Disorder and anti-social behaviour is low compared to comparable areas and people feel that anti-social behaviour is being tackled effectively
  - 3.2.1 - Levels of recorded anti-social behaviour are reduced
  - 3.2.2 - Levels of criminal damage are reduced
- 3.3 Improved green infrastructure
  - 3.3.1 A multifunctional green infrastructure network is created and maintained
  - 3.3.2 Improved street and environmental cleanliness and maintenance with regard to fly-tipping, graffiti and littering
- 3.4 The impact of traffic on communities and individuals is reduced
  - 3.4.1 - Vehicle speeds through local communities, near schools and within town centres are reduced
- 3.5 Transport assets such as roads and footways are well managed and maintained
  - 3.5.1 - Condition monitoring is robust, intervention timely and effective and repairs and renewals cost efficient
- 3.6 The housing supply meets the needs of Leicestershire people
  - 3.6.1 The levels of new housing meets household growth levels
  - 3.6.2 High quality and design housing of all types and tenures is available in both rural and urban areas.
  - 3.6.3 More affordable housing, including in rural areas.
  - 3.6.4 Housing developments are supported by excellent infrastructure and services
- 3.7 Existing housing is improved to better meet the needs of the people of Leicestershire
  - 3.7.1 More people live in decent homes
  - 3.7.2 There is improved access to housing advice services
  - 3.7.3 Suitable locations are identified for new Gypsy and Traveller sites

A more effective response to climate change

- 4.1 Our contribution to climate change is reduced
  - 4.1.1 - CO2 emissions are reduced across the County, including public sector operations and estates
  - 4.1.2 - Increased renewable energy generation and use of alternative fuel sources, including the encouragement of community owner renewable energy schemes
- 4.2 There is high resilience to the effects of climate change
  - 4.2.1 - Resilience/adaptation plans are prepared and resourced
  - 4.2.2 - The climate risk profile for the County is understood by all partners, including the risk of flooding
- 4.3 Less waste is produced and a reduced proportion of this goes to landfill
  - 4.3.1 - A more sustainable system of waste management, providing infrastructure which reduces our reliance on landfill and maximises opportunities for recycling, recovery and composting
- 4.4 An enhanced, accessible and protected natural environment
  - 4.4.1 - Improved and protected local biodiversity, geodiversity and natural habitats
  - 4.4.2 - An adequate and steady supply of minerals to satisfy society's needs, balanced against protection of the environment and impact on local residents
  - 4.4.3 - Local communities have increased access to, and understand, a well managed natural and historical environment
  - 4.4.4 - Improved water quality.
- 4.5 Growth of road congestion is reduced
  - 4.5.1 - Increased use of public transport (including rail), walking and cycling, car sharing and community transport
  - 4.5.2 - Reduced growth in car mileage
  - 4.5.3 - More effective use of congested road space

An innovative, dynamic economy supported by a skilled workforce and a world class infrastructure

- 5.1 A productive economy with high performing businesses
  - 5.1.1.Increased number of businesses surviving beyond 3 years
  - 5.1.2.High numbers of business start-ups in knowledge based sectors
  - 5.1.3 A strong high technology manufacturing sector
  - 5.1.4 Increased numbers of university spin-outs and business collaborations
  - 5.1.5 Growth in financial and professional services including the creative industries sector
  - 5.1.6 The area is regarded as the centre of excellence for food & drink
  - 5.1.7 The sub-region attracts high levels of inward investment
  - 5.1.8 High numbers of leisure and business tourists visit and spend in the county - including in our equestrian and woodland economies.
- 5.2 A highly qualified, skilled and motivated workforce in high value jobs
  - 5.2.1 Improved attainment at foundation and key stages, particularly at Key Stage 4
  - 5.2.2 Everyone aspires to gaining a qualification at NVQ Level 1
  - 5.2.3 A high proportion of the population is qualified to NVQ level 4
  - 5.2.4 Increased vocational training and higher number of apprenticeships
  - 5.2.5 Further reduction of children not in education, employment or training (NEET).
  - 5.2.6 High numbers of graduates are attracted and retained
  - 5.2.7 Workplace earnings are amongst the highest in the country
- 5.3 Improved job opportunities for vulnerable people and communities
  - 5.3.1 Fewer people are claiming out of work benefits and more people are better off in work
  - 5.3.2 Increased employment participation rates for women
  - 5.3.3 A seamless service that motivates and supports people into employment and training
- 5.4. A highly sustainable environment with excellent infrastructure, especially for rural communities
  - 5.4.1 Availability of suitable employment land and premises
  - 5. 4.2 Adequate provision of incubator and 'move on' space for businesses to start and grow
  - 5.4.3 - Improved broadband connectivity across rural areas
  - 5.4.4 Low carbon and resource efficient physical development, including employment sites and private and public buildings
  - 5.4.5 Integrated transport networks with accessible, viable and affordable public transport
  - 5.4.7 Well-designed and attractive market towns and urban and rural centres

A healthier Leicestershire

- 6.1 The harm caused by drug and alcohol misuse is reduced in local communities
  - 6.1.1 - The number of drug and alcohol users in effective treatment is increased and fewer cause harm to themselves and/or the wider community.
  - 6.1.2 - The rate of drug related offending, particularly the level of acquisitive crime, is reduced
  - 6.1.3 - Alcohol related crime and disorder is reduced
- 6.2 The number of road casualties are reduced
  - 6.2.1 - Effective local safety schemes, speed management activities, road safety education, training and publicity campaigns.
- 6.3 Air quality is improved
  - 6.3.1 - Nitrogen dioxide concentrations are reduced in Air Quality Management Areas
- 6.4 Improved health outcomes for people in Leicestershire, in particular a reduction in health inequalities
  - 6.4.1 - Vulnerable people and areas experience less health disadvantage
  - 6.4.2 The best possible start in life for families, mothers and children.
  - 6.4.3 Increased numbers of mothers breastfeeding
  - 6.4.4 More children are vaccinated and immunised
- 6.5 Improved mental health and well being
  - 6.5.1 - Improved mental health and well being (including in the workplace), supported by a greater understanding of mental health and well being issues
  - 6.5.2 - Vulnerable people have better mental health
  - 6.5.3 - People have better access to talking therapies
- 6.6 More people are physically active at a level which makes them healthier
  - 6.6.1 - Improved services and access to the natural and built environment to enable more people to be more physically active.
  - 6.6.2 - People with long-term conditions, learning disabilities and other vulnerable people are assisted to participate in physical activity
  - 6.6.3 Family orientated interventions (particularly in our most deprived areas) promote physical activity for 0-5 year olds
- 6.7 A healthy weight in all age groups is promoted, encouraging a whole family approach to eating well and being active
  - 6.7.1 - Families make healthy food choices and build physical activity into their every day life.
  - 6.7.2 - More children aged 0-11 are a healthy weight
  - 6.7.3 - Healthy food choices are available on workplaces, schools and colleges
- 6.8 Fewer people smoke
  - 6.8.1 Young people don't start smoking.
  - 6.8.2 Every smoker is motivated and assisted to quit.
  - 6.8.3 Families and communities are protected from tobacco-related harm.
- 6.9 Improved sexual health, particularly for young people
  - 6.9.1 - A reduction in the under 18 conception rate.
- 6.10 People feel safer in their home
  - 6.10.1 First Contact Leicestershire reduces accidents in the home and improves in home safety.
  - 6.10.2 Reduced number of emergency hospital admissions and readmissions, for people over 65.

More efficient and effective public services

- 7.1 Easier access to facilities and services is enhanced across the County
  - 7.1.1 An accessible and efficient customer service approach which delivers easier access in person, on the phone or online to all public services and community facilities, especially through Multi Access Centres.
  - 7.1.2 Better coordinated and integrated service planning support delivery within town centres and rural areas
- 7.2 Public services are provided in the most efficient and effective way
  - 7.2.1 Partners pool funding to establish place based budgets and jointly commission local services
  - 7.2.2. Services meet local need, with innovative solutions which include consolidated and rationalised provision.
  - 7.2.3 Savings from 'back-office' functions are secured from shared and single services.

Key

- (red line = sub-regional)
- Children's Trust
- Culture
- Economic Development
- Environment
- Health & Well being
- Housing
- Rural Partnership
- Safer Communities
- Stronger Communities
- Total Place & Strategic Commissioning
- Transport
- Vulnerable People