

## DISTRICT OF EASINGTON: REGISTER OF KEY PARTNERS @23.12.08

Prioritisation Crite

Partnership	Type	Details	Council Lead Officer	Date entered into	Checklist used at outset?	Review date	Comments	Directly Contributes To Council's Strategic Objectives	Continued Lifespan Post 31/03/09	Contractual or Relationship of Mutual Benefit
<b>Significant</b>										
<b>East Durham Community Development Trust</b>	Formal strategic	To provide services and support to local voluntary and community organisations and groups.	Director of Regeneration and Development				Identified as a high priority to continue in the Transitional Plan. A 3-year SLA on the basis of delivering services has been negotiated which covers the period April 2008-March 2011. However due to the LGR and the timescales involved, the District of Easington have issued a Business As Usual request to DCC that the agreement transfer to the Unitary Authority for consideration and approval for it's continuance post 31.03.09.	✓	✓	✓
<b>East Durham Homes</b>	Contractual	ALMO (delivery of housing services)	Management Team, Head of Housing Strategy, Heads of services the Council delivers to EDH	2004	N		Identified as a high priority to continue in the Transitional Plan. New EDH Delivery Plan - Linked to finance and outputs Medium Term Financial Plan - Link to Doors and Windows Scheme.	✓	✓	✓
		SLA (Council services provided to EDH)								
<b>East Durham Local Strategic Partnership (LSP)</b>	Formal strategic	Key strategic partnership in East Durham. Driven by statutory guidance. Purpose is to ensure the delivery of the Community Strategy and neighbourhood Renewal Strategy by agreeing priorities, assigning resources, monitoring performance. Partners drawn from community, voluntary, private and public sectors	ACE/LSP Manager (Governance)	Mar-01	N	n/a	Easington LSP is to be dissolved and replaced with Area Action Partnerships post 31.03.09.	✓	✓	✓
			Director of Regeneration and key staff (Council representative; funding management)							
<b>East Durham Business Service</b>	Formal strategic Contractual	Formal strategic and delivery partnership between the Council and East Durham Development Agency (EDDA) for the delivery of economic development of the District. Also partnered with East Durham Engineering Forum.	Director of Regeneration and Development;	2006	N		Identified as a continuing priority in the Transitional Plan to maintain support for local businesses through EDDA. Delivery of LEGI programme secured until March 2011. Lease of NOVUS Business Centre picked up by EDDA. Future of other resources centres still to be determined in Jan-09.	✓	✓	✓
<b>East Durham Positive Inclusion Partnership (EDPIP)</b>	Relationship of mutual benefit	Design and delivery of inclusive programmes	Head of Neighbourhood initiatives	2006	N		Update from Steve Arkley: EDPIP will continue post 31.03.09	✓	✓	✓

<b>Leisure Connections</b>	Contractual	Contractual arrangement to deliver leisure services	Head of Neighbourhood initiatives	Mar-03	N	n/a	Governed by procurement code of practice and contract standing orders - provision in contract to transfer to successor Unitary Authority. Contract ends June 2013	✓	✓	✓
<b>East Durham Local Children's Board</b>	Formal strategic	Purpose is to with partners, commission, co-ordinate and deliver children services to secure improved outcomes for children, young people and their families	LSP Manager	Mar-07	No		John Murphy advised that the EDLCB is part of the LSP and part of Durham County Council's Children's Trust which would continue after the creation of the Unitary Authority.	✓	✓	✗
<b>Neighbour-hood Management Pathfinders</b>	Formal strategic	Nationally funded pathfinders in Easington/Horden and Peterlee North	Head of Regeneration and Partnerships		N		The Unitary Authority's focus will be firmly on area participation rather than neighbourhood management, with AAP's acting as the primary vehicle to facilitate this. The NMP in Easington and Horden to manage a declining local presence in 2008-09. £258k from Area Based Grant for North Peterlee will be honoured for 2009-10 and manage a declining local presence.	✓	✗	✗
<b>Groundwork East Durham</b>	Formal strategic	Support and delivery of shared priorities	Head of Regeneration and Partnerships		N		Ray Brewis provided update. DOE funding guaranteed until 31.03.10	✓	✓	✗
<b>Tyne and Wear City Regions partnership</b>	Formal strategic	Strategic partnership to address city regional economic, planning, skills, employment and transport issues	Chief Executive, Director of Regeneration and Development		N		No EDC involvement past 31.03.09. Role to transfer to the Unitary Authority.	✓	✗	✓
<b>County Durham Economic Partnership</b>	Formal strategic	Subregional economic development partnership. Has formal status from ONE.	Director of Regeneration		N		No EDC involvement past 31.03.09. Role to transfer to the Unitary Authority.	✓	✗	✓
<b>County Durham Local Area Agreement governance arrangements</b>	Formal strategic	LAA- agreement between central Government and top tier Council with its partners, for the delivery of agreed outcomes in return for agreed funding, freedoms and flexibilities and rewards. Participation is required under LG White Paper	Chief Executive (Board) ACE (Project team)	Apr-06	N	n/a	Subject to GONE negotiation and review in which the Council has taken part. Separate review not considered necessary. John Murphy advised that the County Durham Partnership would supercede LAA	✓	✗	✓
			Directors of Regeneration and Community Services (Block champions)							

			LSP Manager (LSP input)							
<b>Durham Housing and N'hoods Partnership. Partnership Board</b>	Formal strategic	Sub regional partnership (DOE/ Wear Valley / Sedgfield) operating to commission activity to establish strategic housing policy framework and ensure that housing and related policies blend with other strategies for County Durham and the North East.	Head of Housing	2006	No		Formed to address emergence of Regional Housing Board and requirement to have a Sub Regional Housing strategy. DCC will lead on the creation of a special purpose vehicle (Housing regeneration company) which will supercede the previous arrangement	✓	✗	✓
<b>North East Public Procurement Partnership</b>	Formal strategic	Regional strategic procurement partnership between the public sector, private sector and the voluntary sector.	Procurement Manager		N		Requested an update from Peter Fail. Outstanding.	✓	✗	✓
<b>Supporting People Partnership</b>	Formal strategic	Strategic and contractual countywide partnership for the development and delivery of the Supporting People programme	Head of Housing	2000	N		Ian Morris advised that this would continue after 31.03.09 but in an amended format to be decided by DCC which would in effect create a new partnership	✓	✗	✓
	Contractual (DCC is accountable body)									
<b>Durham Coalfield Housing Partnership</b>	Formal strategic	Partnership established to secure a Low Housing Market Demand Programme for County Durham led by English Partnerships.	Head of Housing Strategy	2003	No		Ian Morris advised that this would continue after 31.03.09 but in an amended format to be decided which would in effect create a new partnership	✓	✗	✓
<b>County Durham Children's Trust</b>	Formal strategic	Partnership established under The Children's Act 2004 with purpose of improving the well being of children.	Director of Regeneration and Development.	Mar-07	No		Succeeds Shadow Children's Executive Board. Requested an update from Ray Brewis	✓	✗	✓
<b>(Children's Executive Board)</b>										
<b>Civil Contingencies Unit</b>	Formal strategic	Developing strategic approaches to emergency planning, civil contingencies and business continuity. Council provides funding to the Unit	Chief Executive, ACE		N		Civil Contingencies Unit will be brought back within DCC as part of the new Unitary Authority.	✓	✗	✓
	Contractual?									

<b>County Durham E Government Partnership</b>	Formal strategic	Joint delivery and procurement partnership. Based on management agreement	Head of Information Systems		N		Will be superceded by new Unitary Authority arrangements.	✓	✗	✓
<b>Easington Community Safety Partnership</b>	Formal strategic	Statutory Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership. Strategic and delivery; the CDRP also acts as a thematic group in relation to the LSP Delivery activities include joint Anti-social Behaviour Unit, co-located services, shared intelligence, Licensing consultation process, etc	Director of Community Services, Heads of Neighbourhood Initiatives and Environmental Services		N		Update provided from Steve Arkley. ECSP will cease on 31.03.09 and be superceded by the Unitary Authority's county partnership arrangements.	✓	✗	✗
<b>Local Enterprise Growth Initiative (LEGI) Partnership</b>	Formal strategic	Strategic partnership between 4 Districts (Easington, Wear Valley, Sedgefield, Derwentside) and other partners including the business sector, to manage the delivery of the nationally funded LEGI programme (10 year programme with funding confirmed for years 1-3)	Director of Regeneration and Development (Chair of Management Board), East Durham Business Service	2006	N		The Council is the programme's lead authority. Requested Ray Brewis to provide update.	✓	✗	✗
<b>Tyne and Wear City Strategy Steering Group</b>	Formal strategic	To deliver a City Region programme (City Strategy) supported by DWP and with the North East Employers Consortium to reduce worklessness and encourage greater participation in economic activity	Director of Regeneration and Development	Jun-06	No		Requested update from Ray Brewis. Unitary Authority arrangements will supercede the previous arrangement	✓	✗	✗
<b>Tees Valley City Regions partnership</b>	Formal strategic	Strategic partnership to address city regional economic, planning, skills, employment and transport issues	Director of Regeneration and Development		N		lupdate from Ray Bewis. Involvement is via consultative forums; no formal representation on strategy groups as with Tyne and Wear	✓	✗	✗
<b>Care &amp; Repair</b>	Contractual	Contractual arrangement for delivery of home improvements	Head of Housing Strategy		N	n/a	Governed by procurement code of practice and contract standing orders. Contract expires on 31.03.10 with the option to extend The care and repair service for each district will likely merge under the Unitary Authority.	✗	✓	✓
<b>Town and Parish Councils</b>	Relationship of mutual benefit	Tripartite Charter. Constitutional Advice, Members Allowances Scheme for Parish and Town Councils. Improving Consultation and Engagement opportunities.	Chief Executive, Directors, Head of Democratic Services and Administration		N		Town and parish councils to potentially increase their involvement in locality arrangements post 31.03.09	✗	✓	✓

	Contractual	Devolved service delivery arrangements in some cases								
<b>Acumen Community Development Trust</b>		To provide services and support to local people into work	Regeneration Initiatives Manager				Update provided by Ray Brewis	X	✓	X
<b>Improving Services for Disabled People group</b>	Relationship of mutual benefit	Informal group of partners interested in improving services for disabled people. Influence Council's policy in relation to DDA	Senior corporate development officer: Equality and Diversity	2006	N			X	X	✓
<b>Crutes legal firm</b>	Contractual	Outsourced legal services and Monitoring Officer role	Chief Executive		N	n/a	Governed by procurement code of practice and contract standing orders	X	X	✓
			Governance and Risk Manager							
<b>Improvement Partnership for NE Local Government</b>	Relationship of mutual benefit	Best practice; shared delivery of development activities with local government partners across the NE. Councils hosts project manager for Districts strand	Chief Executive (Board); ACE (Leaning Network steering group)	2005	N		It is likely that the Unitary Authority will supercede the previous arrangement and change representation on the Improvement Partnership post 31.03.09	X	X	✓
<b>Business Link County Durham</b>	Relationship of mutual benefit	Provider. EDBS is engaged in an informal partnership with Business link NE and is no longer contractual	EDBS		N	n/a	Subject to Business Link procurement and contractual arrangements. NB Business Link County Durham will be replaced by Business Link NE from April 2007. DOE will retain no strategic role in Business Link NE's successor body post 31.03.09. Update received from Stephen James: this partnership will remain informal post 31.03.09	X	X	✓
<b>Durham Procurement Partnership</b>	Formal strategic?	Best practice. A strategic procurement partnership across the 7 Durham Districts & the County Council	Procurement Manager		N		Requested an update from Peter Fail. Outstanding.	X	X	✓
<b>County Durham Strategic Partnership (under review)</b>	Formal strategic	Countywide strategic partnership predating LAA. Currently under review to merge agendas.	Director of Regeneration (Council representative). ACE (part of team reviewing governance)		N	2007	Subject to countywide review of governance, outcomes etc. Requested Ray Brewis to provide update.	X	X	✓

<b>County Durham and Districts Forum</b>	Relationship of mutual benefit	Developing strategic approaches to issues facing County Durham as a whole. Membership as per the Durham Districts Forum with additional Durham County Council representation.	Chief Executive		N		Updated with Barry Garside. CDDF will almost certainly terminate next year under the Unitary Authority.	X	X	✓
<b>Durham Districts Forum</b>	Relationship of mutual benefit	Developing strategic approaches to issues facing all Durham districts	Chief Executive		N		Updated with Barry Garside. DDF will almost certainly terminate next year under the Unitary Authority.	X	X	✓
<b>Association of North East Councils (ANEC)</b>	Relationship of mutual benefit	Developing strategic approaches to issues facing all councils in the region	Leader		N		Update from Barry Garside. ANEC will continue but under the new Unitary Authority, district representation will cease and be superceded by the new DCC arrangements	X	X	✓
<b>North East Centre for Excellence</b>	Relationship of mutual benefit	Support. NECE assists councils to find and make efficiency gains and to drive the key milestones of the National Procurement Strategy	Procurement Manager		N		Requested an update from Peter Fail	X	X	✓
<b>Specific Councils eg Durham County Council, Sunderland Council, Stockton Council, Districts</b>	Relationship of mutual benefit	Best practice and joint delivery on a range of initiatives eg Occupational Health, Planning, Youth Engagement, Schools Sports coordinators, LA21, local transport	Various		N		Unitary Authority arrangements will supercede previous arrangements.	X	X	✓
<b>Learning and Skills Council</b>	Relationship of mutual benefit	EDBS is engaged in a very loose arrangement with the LSC.	EDBS		N	n/a	Update received from Stephen James: LSC arrangement is very informal	X	X	✓
<b>Easington Youth Forum</b>	Relationship of mutual benefit	To provide a framework to support young people in a coordinated partnership approach that accounts for their needs, perceptions and desires.	Head of Neighbourhood Initiatives				Update provided by Ray Brewis / Steve Arkley The Youth Forum will cease post 31.03.09	X	X	✓
<b>Specific thematic alliances eg Durham Heritage Coast,</b>	Relationship of mutual benefit	Developing strategic approaches to specific issues facing the district/beyond	Various		N			X	X	✓
<b>Neighbourhood forums i.e. Your community, Your Call, Area Management Boards.</b>	Relationship of mutual benefit	Various resident engagement forums	Various					X	X	✓

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Impact of Partnership on  
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(High/Medium/Low)

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