



## **Local Area Agreement 2008-11**

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### **Introduction**

Be Birmingham, the new name of the local strategic partnership in Birmingham, delivered the final version of its Local Area Agreement (LAA) to Government Office at the beginning of June. A full copy of the agreement is attached. Ministers and civil servants will consider submitted LAAs during June with final sign off expected by the end of the month.

### **“Be healthy” priorities**

The LAA is structured around the five key outcomes of Every Child Matters and follows the structure being used both for the city's Community Strategy (the 20 year vision for the city) and the city council's strategic framework.

In the “Be healthy” section, therefore, the following indicators have been included:

- Life expectancy (as measured by all age all cause mortality)
- Smoking cessation
- End of life care enabling people to choose to die at home
- Social care clients receiving Self Directed Support (Direct payments)
- Delayed transfers of care
- Carers receiving needs assessment or review and a specific carer's service or advice and information
- Number of vulnerable people achieving independent living
- Obesity in primary school age children in Year 6
- Under 18 conception rate

(Please note: for male life expectancy (AAACM) the final year target has been left blank, allowing for further negotiation with Government Office later in the year/early in 2009.)

In addition, there are a number of targets included which impact on wider determinants of health including:

- Adult Participation in Sport
- Overall employment rate

- Working Age People claiming Out of Work Benefits in the worst performing neighbourhoods
- Proportion of Children in Poverty
- A large number of educational attainment targets
- Number of affordable homes delivered

And finally, there are two local indicators (that is, indicators which will not be performance managed by Government Office but which will be a priority for Be Birmingham) that connect closely to the health and care agenda:

- Reducing alcohol harm-related hospital admissions
- The number of Care Homes with Nursing classified as poor providers at Standards Level 1 by CSCI (Adult Safeguarding)

### **Delivery Planning and performance management of the LAA**

The Birmingham Health & Wellbeing Partnership has begun the delivery planning process for the new LAA. Outline delivery plans will be completed by early September. Key milestones and performance measures will then be drawn from these delivery plans to create a performance management framework. Where performance data is not available on at least a quarterly basis (e.g. life expectancy data is currently only available annually [although all age all cause mortality should be provided quarterly by the end of this year]) proxy or supplementary indicators will be developed. The first performance reports will be produced towards the end of 2008.