



North Tyneside Strategic Partnership
Exception Report
Quarter 3 (October - December 2011)

Annex 1

Introduction

The purpose of this exception report is to identify and inform the North Tyneside Strategic Partnership (NTSP) any performance issues in relation to the delivery of the objectives outlined in the Sustainable Community Strategy (SCS) 2010-13.

The theme partnerships of the North Tyneside Strategic Partnership and their constituent organisations are responsible for the delivery of the priorities outlined in the SCS. The NTSP have identified four priorities in the SCS, each with equal weighting, these were formulated following widespread consultation and analysis and are:

- Regeneration
- Quality of life
- Best start in life
- Sense of place

The next section of the report highlights any performance measures which were not on track at the end of the third quarter.

Performance against measures

For the year 2011/12 there are a total of 79 performance measures being used to assess the progress of the SCS. The majority of these were previously prescribed national indicators and are reported annually.

Of the total performance measures above, 22 can be reported at the end of Quarter 3, and this number comprises:

- 12 quarterly reported performance measures. Of these, 11 are on track to achieve the 2011/12 target. One is not on track.
- 10 are annual performance measures reporting final outturn data at the end of Quarter 3. Of these 8 achieved the 2011/12 target and 2 did not.

Workbooks containing performance data for the performance measures reported at the end of Quarter 3, can be found in the North Tyneside Council Datastore. **Please note that some data is provisional and subject to change following external verification.**

Comment on performance for measures not on track

For the three performance measures which are not on track at the end of Quarter 3 or did not achieve their end of year 2011/12 target, comments and proposed action are below:

NI135: Carers receiving needs assessment or review and a specific carer's service, or advice and information (bigger is better)

Quarter 3: Target – 22.5%
Actual – 20.7%

Comment and proposed action:

Although slightly behind Q3 target, this issue is related to activity recording, rather than a decrease in real performance. There are a number of customer records which are currently being reviewed and updated. Following completion of this work, we are confident that performance should return in line with target.

NI092: Narrowing the gap between the lowest achieving 30% in Early Years Foundation Stage Profile and the rest (smaller is better)

2011/12: Target – 28%
Actual – 29.5%

Comment and proposed action:

The target of 28% was set to improve on the performance in 2010 assessments. The target set has been missed by 1.5%. The attainment continues to represent performance above the national average. Schools and settings continue to receive tailored support to ensure that the gap is narrowed.

NI101: Children in care achieving 5 A*-C GCSEs (or equivalent) at Key Stage 4 (including English and Maths) (bigger is better)

2011/12: Target – 19%
Actual – 8%

Comment and proposed action:

When the target for this indicator was set there were 16 children in this cohort. Based on previous progress, 3 of this cohort were expected to achieve 5+A*-C including English and Maths. At the time the exams were sat the cohort had changed. The total in the cohort was 13 and 1 achieved 5+A*-C including English and Maths.

All the pupils in this cohort achieved at least 1 GCSE pass and 69% achieved at least 5 GCSE passes. Almost half of the pupils in the cohort had some level of Special Educational Need and a third had a statement. Focussed support is being provided to pupils in this cohort, including 1:1 tuition, intensive group support and

individual learning programmes. The current projections for the 2012 exams suggest an improvement on 2011 results

Below is a full list of the performance measures which were reported in Quarter 3:

Quarterly reported performance measures on track:

NI016: Serious acquisitive crime (rate per 1,000 population)
NI020: Assault with less serious injury (offences per 1,000)
NI053: Prevalence of breast-feeding at 6-8 weeks from birth
NI065: Percentage of children becoming the subject of Child Protection Plan for a second or subsequent time
NI142: Percentage of vulnerable people who are supported to maintain independent living
NI146: Proportion of adults with learning disabilities in paid employment
NI192: Percentage of household waste sent for reuse, recycling and composting
NI195 a-d: Improved street and environmental cleanliness (levels of litter, detritus, graffiti and fly-posting)

Quarterly reported performance measures not on track:

NI135: Carers receiving needs assessment or review and a specific carer's service, or advice and information

Annual performance measures which reported provisional data at the end of Q2 and has now been verified – on track:

NI056: Obesity in primary school age children in Year 6
NI072: Percentage of children achieving at least 78 points across the Early Years Foundation Stage
NI073: Achievement at level 4 or above in both English and Maths at Key Stage 2
NI093: Progression by 2 levels in English between Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2
NI094: Progression by 2 levels in Maths between Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2
NI099: Children in care reaching level 4 in English at Key Stage 2
NI100: Children in care reaching level 4 in Maths at Key Stage 2
NI102: Achievement gap between pupils eligible for free school meals and their peers achieving the expected level at Key Stage 2

Annual performance measures which reported provisional data at the end of Q2 and has now been verified – not on track:

NI092: Narrowing the gap between the lowest achieving 30% in Early Years Foundation Stage Profile and the rest
NI101: Children in care achieving 5 A*-C GCSEs (or equivalent) at Key Stage 4 (including English and Maths)