

Local Area Agreement 2008-2011

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Priority: Inspiring Young People

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RAG Status: Amber

Summary Statement:

Designated LAA Indicators

There are 4 designated targets within the Inspiring Young People Theme of the LAA. These are detailed in the PI below including the baseline, annual target, actual performance to date, performance status and improvement. In addition, graphs are included in this performance report to demonstrate the actual performance (continuous green line) against the target (dotted blue line) for each indicator.

End of Year 2 review

LAA29 Narrow the gap between the lowest attaining 20% and the most vulnerable and the rest by improving their rate of progress and raising their levels of achievement

STATUS: AMBER

Achievements:

- Agreement across partners on the direction and delivery of Stepping Stones with 13 different projects
- Success in joining the Building Schools for the Future Programme with a pathfinder in Bideford and five more new school buildings planned for Marland (residential provision for those with emotional and behavioural difficulties); and Dartmouth, Ilfracombe, Tiverton and Chumleigh secondary schools to transform teaching and learning for the 21st Century . This is a great opportunity to raise the aspirations and achievement locally as has been achieved in Exeter but to take it further
- Ofsted judged as good the services for children in care in Devon

Outcomes for local people:

- Stepping Stones has already led to children who would have been placed in schools outside the county being placed nearer home
- The Building Schools for the Future programme is being developed with local people in order to ensure that the new schools are a real hub for the community and designed to be environmentally sustainable and low carbon emissions

Value for money:

- Placements for children with complex needs from out of county are normally very expensive and savings have been made without reducing the quality of provision
- Old buildings will be replaced by buildings that are more efficient to maintain and which are fit for purpose
- By investing in early intervention issues are prevented from escalating and thus provide better outcomes for the families at less cost in the long term

Key to Performance Status:

Performance Indicators:	No Data	Well Below Target	Below Target	On Target	Above Target	Well Above Target
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Key to change on same period in previous year:

↑	Improved Performance	↓	Worse Performance	↔	Unchanged
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Key to +/- Column:

+	Higher figures are better	-	Lower figures are better	OFF	Direction cannot be determined.
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Performance Indicators

Code	Title	+/-	Instance	Annual Target	Status	Improvement	Actual to Date	Officer Notes
NI 54	Parental experience of services for	+	FY 2008-09		No Target	n/a	57%	(2008 - 2009) Comparison is against 30

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	disabled children.							Authorities who have chosen NI54 as part of their LAA for 2008/09 (National figure 59) (PB)
		+	FY 2009-10		No Target	↑	61%	(2009 - 2010) The survey shows a 2% improvement since the previous year. Performance in councils is tightly grouped with the Devon performance only 1% less than the top quartile threshold nationally. (PB)
		+	FY 2010-11	61%	Data not due	n/a	n/a	
NI 63	Stability of placements of looked after children: length of placement	+	FY 2006-07	Baseline for LAA	No Target	↑	67.5%	
		+	FY 2007-08	No target	No Target	↓	62.5%	
		+	FY 2008-09	70.0%	Well Below Target	↓	61.7%	(Quarter 4) 59.7% for first quarter of 09/10. Effect of Southwark judgement and Baby Peter increasing number of referrals significantly, putting great strain on capacity and affecting this indicator. Mean of Statistical Neighbours: 65.7 National: 65.7 Action plans to address are in place and under constant review. (RB)
		+	FY 2009-10	74.0%	Well Below Target	↓	63.0% (3/4)	
		+	FY 2010-11	76.0%	Data not due	n/a	n/a	
NI 112	Under 18 conception rate	-	2006	Baseline for LAA	No Target	↓	-8.5%	(2006) The under 18 conception rate in 2006 was 30.1% being a reduction of 8.8% below the 1998 baseline of 32.9%. (KB)
		-	2007		No Target	↓	-1.4%	(2007) Actual figure 32.5 per 10,000 (2007) SN 34.13 Nat 41.68 - Rate

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								remains an issue. (RB)
		-	2008	-29.0%	Well Below Target	↓	+1.4%	(2008) The 2008 target to reduce the under 18 conception rate to -29% of the 1998 baseline needs the actual conception rate to be reduced to 23.3%. For 2007 (LAIT April 09) actual figure 32.5 per 10,000 (2007) SN 34.13 Nat 41.68 - Rate remains an issue (RB)
		-	2009	-40.0%	Data not due		n/a	(2009) The 2009 target to reduce the under 18 conception rate to -40% of the 1998 baseline needs the actual conception rate to be reduced to 19.7%. (KB)
		-	2010	-50.0%	Data not due	n/a	n/a	(2010) The target to reduce the under 18 conception rate to 50% below the 1998 baseline needs the actual conception rate to be reduced to 16.4% (KB)
NI 117	16 to 18 year olds who are not in education, employment or training (NEET)	-	FY 2006-07		No Target	↑	6.0%	(2006 - 2007) Data for post-16 needs to be handled with circumspection. Significant percentages of young people access work, education and training in the urban areas of Torbay and Plymouth that edge this rural county; few come the other way. These young people are successes. In data terms they are removed from the pool for measurement used for NEETs and those achieving qualifications at 19. This affects the measures as those who are not in education, employment or training and not achieving become a

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								<p>bigger proportion of the whole.</p> <p>In addition Devon is very successful at identifying the pathways of a very high proportion (99% of 16–18 year olds) which increases the identification of NEETs (as opposed to 'outcome not known'). (JD)</p>
		-	FY 2007-08		No Target	↑	5.9%	(2007 - 2008) Latest figure 6.4%. Increase related to recession strategy in place. Monitoring shows increase to be mainly 18 year old group which indicates effectiveness of strategy (JD)
		-	FY 2008-09	5.5%	Well Below Target	↓	6.4%	(2008 - 2009) Increase related to recession strategy in place. Monitoring shows increase to be mainly 18 year old group which indicates effectiveness of strategy (JD)
		-	FY 2009-10	5.0%	Well Below Target	↑	5.7%	<p>(2009 - 2010) For the three months from November 2009 – January 2010, Devon's adjusted NEET figure was 5.7%. This compares favourably with the figure for 2008/09, showing a 10.9% reduction on the figure for 2008/09 of 6.4%. The average figure in 2009/10 for the South West was 5.6%. When comparisons are made with statistical neighbours for January 2010, Devon's NEETs are higher at 5.7% than the mean of statistical neighbours at 5.4%.</p> <p>Not Known figures impact on NEET figures. Devon</p>

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								<p>reported an average 'not known' figure of 0.8% across the three months. This compares favourably with the figure reported in 2008/09 showing an 18.9% reduction on the 2008/09 figure of 1.0%. This compares very favourably with the South West average of 2.4%. When 'not knows' are compared with statistical neighbours, Devon performs significantly better (Devon 1.0%, statistical neighbours 3.3%).</p> <p>When Devon's combined NEET and Not Known figures for January 2010 are compared with statistical neighbours Devon is the second highest performer. (PB)</p>
		-	FY 2010-11	4.5%	Data not due	n/a	n/a	