

# Neighbourhood working



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# Neighbourhood working - brief

- ❑ Find out about neighbourhood working in Chorley now
- ❑ Look into costs and benefits of different kinds of neighbourhood management
- ❑ Recommend a model for Chorley
- ❑ Report and action plan

# Neighbourhood working – what's happened?

- ✓ Four Inquiry hearings
- ✓ 19 witnesses
- ✓ Drop-in exhibition: 25 questionnaires
- ✓ Visit to Great Lever, Bolton

# Neighbourhood working means...

- Multi-agency joint working
- Serving a geographical area
- Solving priority problems
- Engaging and empowering residents

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# Neighbourhood working gets ...

- Better co-ordinated, more accessible & responsive services
- Innovative solutions, shared information, networking
- Residents more satisfied - influential
- Councillors with better ways to achieve local results

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# It will work if it...

- Reaches the very local level and does not serve too large an area
- Is sustainable – within existing resources and organisational capacity
- Uses common boundaries
- Is evidence led
- Links upwards to wider strategies

# It will work if it ...

- Builds on existing structures
- Is clear about powers and governance
- Resources information and community capacity building
- Involves the voluntary sector
- Includes schools

# And tackles local priorities...

- Crime and anti social behaviour
- Environment
- Traffic and parking
- Youth provision
- Community spirit

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# It may not work if it ...

- Alienates existing local leaders
- Creates further layers of meetings and decision making
- Fails to involve and support councillors
- Relies on resources that are not assured

# In Chorley now ...

- Target Area Partnerships
- Parish councils
- Community Forums
- Neighbourhood policing, PACTs
- Streetscene, Leisure, Housing

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# So what are the options?

## 1. Pathfinder model

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## 1. Pathfinder model

- Neighbourhood manager
- Administration, local base
- Community development
- Wide range of services
- Managing board

# So what are the options?

## Pathfinder model

- Costs about £200,000 p.a.
- Tends to grow to larger area
- Additional decision making layer
- Struggles with 'mainstreaming' after start up period

# So what are the options?

## 2. Neighbourhood teams

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## 2. Neighbourhood teams

- Core teams from Police, Streetscene, Leisure, Social housing
- Involve other agencies as needed
- Regular liaison with PCs, TAPs etc
- Enhanced multi-agency PACTs
- Respond/consult locally

# So what are the options?

## Neighbourhood teams

- Suggestion is 8 teams
- Designated team leader each
- Central neighbourhood analyst post
- Oversight group for each team
- Small local fund



# So what are the options?

## 3. Neighbourhood teams 'plus'

- Central community development support
- Broker to 'champion' neighbourhood representation
- Increased local funds