

OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY INQUIRY PROJECT OUTLINE

Review Topic:	Investigation by:	
Chorley Partnership	Chorley Partnership Scrutiny Task Group	
	Type: Scrutiny inquiry	

Objectives:

- 1 To ensure the wider engagement of the Council, local councillors and local people in the work of the LSP and its thematic groups.
- 2 To maximise the capacity of the LSP through the projects it delivers.
- 3. To investigate how the LSP will tackle one of the issues for the Borough, the high rate of alcohol harm related hospital admission rates.

Desired Outcome:

- 1. Wider knowledge and understanding of the concept and knowledge of Chorley Partnership by both councillors and the public; including knowing how to access information about the work of Chorley partnership.
- 2. To understand and perhaps improve the process of project selection and monitoring by the LSP.
- 3. To understand how the LSP can contribute to tackling the issue of high rates of alcohol harm in Chorley.

Terms of Reference:

In investigating aspects of Chorley Partnership, the task group will consider the following:

- How Members can improve their knowledge of the role of Chorley Partnership the work it carries out and how they and the public can access that information.
- In order to look at maximising capacity, consider funding sources for the LSP and the relationship of Lancashire Locals with Chorley Partnership
- The current project selection and monitoring processes and assessing the "value added" by projects
- In looking at the key issues of alcohol related harm, interview key stakeholders in order to understand the extent of the problem and their plans for tackling the issue

Key Issues:	Risks:
	The LSP is a large and complex body. Keeping the
	review to the three objectives is still a large task and
	may extend beyond the end of the Council year.
	 Many LSP partners (particularly from the private and



voluntary sectors) contribute their time and expertise on a goodwill basis. The scrutiny review needs to be constructive in any recommendations in order to continue current good working relationships with all
sectors.

Venue(s):

Timescale: Approx. 5 months

Start: October 2008

Finish: March 2009

Information Requirements and Sources:

Documents/evidence:

Chorley Partnership Constitution and membership

Statutory Government guidance on LSPs

Chorley Partnership Annual Report

IDeA Peer Review of Chorley Partnership

Chorley Partnership: Quarterly monitoring information

Witnesses:

Alan Jones, Chair of Chorley Partnership to talk about the LSP and the work of the economic regeneration thematic group

A representative of Lancashire Locals to discuss funding and their relationship with Chorley Partnership

Consultation/Research:

IDeA guidance on the effective scrutiny of LSPs

Comparison with other LSPs on processes used for project selection

Site Visits:

Possible attendance by representatives of the task group of a meeting of the Partnership Board/Executive

Officer Support:	Likely	Budget	Requirements:
Lead Officer: Lesley Ann Fenton, Assistant Chief Executive (Policy and Performance)	<u>Purpose</u>		<u>\$</u>
Meetings support: Carol Russell/Dianne Scambler	Minimal costs for any site visits Total		

Target Body ¹ for Findings/Recommendations	Executive Cabinet