

Performance Management Group recommendations on indicators – 29th February 2008

NI	Indicators	Comments	PMG Decision
1	% of people who believe people from different backgrounds get on well together in their local area	This was felt to be an extremely important indicator which was well supported by the locality and by GOWM	Agreed – in 35
4	% of people who feel they can influence decisions in their locality	There had been mixed views regarding this indicator. There was significant support for it from the Community Development Team but less so from other some other areas. PMG felt this to be an important indicator particularly as Herefordshire performed poorly in this respect.	Agreed – in 35
6	Participation in regular volunteering	This was very well supported across a number of areas. NI 7 was also discussed but it was felt there was a need to resource and achieve targets and volunteering gave a better indicator of the strength of the sector. GOWM felt the sector was already performing well and maybe there was not the potential to achieve stretched targets. It was pointed out that the volunteer body was not static and considerable input would be needed to even maintain it at the current high level. PMG felt volunteers were an important part of service provision in Herefordshire and it was felt that this indicator definitely needed to be included.	Agreed – in 35
9	Use of public libraries	This had considerable support for this indicator but there was a need to see how it was going to be measured. The indicator in the current LAA excluded the use of mobile libraries, which were a significant part of provision in a rural area.	If the technical guidance did not include mobile libraries then this indicator to be include as a local one which better reflected the local situation.
11	Engagement in the arts	It was suggested that this be included as a local indicator	Agreed - local
13	Migrants English language skills and knowledge	The Diversity Team were comfortable with this indicator being included as a local one, although the LSC had voiced some concerns regarding delivery and resourcing and this needed to be followed up.	Agreed - local indicator– depending on LSC discussions
17	Perceptions of anti-social behaviour		Agreed – in 35
19	Rate of proven re-offending by young offenders	It was noted that there may be conflicts between some indicators where success with one may have a negative effect on others. The	Agreed – in 35

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		link between increased policing and increased levels of offending was one such conflict. However, It was felt this was an important indicator and should be included.	
30	Re-offending rate of prolific and priority offenders	This was well supported by all partners and should be included.	Agreed – in 35
37	Awareness of civil protection arrangements in the local area	This would be monitored through the Place Survey and the wording was not yet finalised (nationally). H&WFRS and WMC said all partners needed to work together to achieve this indicator but there was also a need to be cognisant of the Local Resistance Forum.	Agreed – local indicator
39	Alcohol – harm related hospital admission rates		Agreed – local indicator
40	Drug users in effective treatment	CSDP were very supportive of this indicator. It was felt it was a really good example of a measure which would bring together other measures, such as waiting times.	Agreed – in 35
47	People killed or seriously injured in road traffic accidents		Agreed – in 35
50	Emotional health of children	There were concerns regarding this as it was measured by a Survey, which often had a very low return rate and may not be statistically sound. This was currently being discussed with the Children's Trust	PMG agreed to go with whatever decision came from the Children's Trust
51	Effectiveness of child and adolescent mental health (CAMHs) services	This is currently being discussed with the Children's Trust	PMG agreed to go with whatever decision came from the Children's Trust
56	Obesity among primary school age children in Year 6		Agreed - 35
57	Children and young people's participation in high-quality PE and sport	Although there was considerably support for this indicator there were some concerns surrounding the technical definition which had not yet been published	Agreed – 35 (subject to the technical definition)
69	Children who have experienced bullying	There were concerns regarding this as it was measured by a Survey, which often had a very low return rate and may not be statistically sound. This was currently being discussed with the Children's Trust	PMG agreed to go with whatever decision came from the Children's Trust

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91	Participation of 17 year-olds in education or training	The LSC had expressed concern about this indicator as, while the 'jobs without training' agenda was very important, the focus on only 17 year olds was felt to be potentially problematic. The technical definition would be investigated further.	Agreed – in 35 (depending on further investigation)
110	Young people's participation in positive activities	It was felt that this indicator reflected more of an output than an outcome and could reflect a reduction in crime, re-offending and road deaths etc. It was said that this was seen by the Youth Services as a useful measure to capture and should be included. There were some concerns about how it would be measured which needed to be investigated.	Agreed – in 35 (depending on technical guidance)
115	Substance misuse by young people	Again there were concerns about the survey – would it capture accurate data. It was felt an equivalent local indicator would be included.	Agreed – local equivalent
117	16 to 18 year olds who are not in education, training or employment (NEET)		Agreed – in 35
121	Mortality rate from all circulatory diseases at ages under 75		Agreed – in 35
123	16+ current smoking rate prevalence	The latest guidance says this indicator measures the people who quit smoking and remain quit at 4 weeks, which the PCT were comfortable with.	Agreed – in 35
130	Social Care clients receiving Self Directed Support (Direct Payments and Individual Budgets)	These indicators had been extensively discussed with the Social Care Team and were seen to address the CSCI agenda. It was felt NI 136 needed to capture services which were commissioned through social services and not just those directly delivered. The group wanted to include a local indicator on Signposting.	Agreed – in 35
135	Carers receiving needs assessment or review and a specific carer's service, or advice and information		Agreed – in 35
136	People supported to live independently through social services (all ages)		Agreed – in 35
142	Number of vulnerable people who are supported to maintain independent living		Agreed – in 35
152	Working age people on out of work benefits		There were currently 3 housing indicators proposed and it was felt that maybe one or more could be dropped. Discussions were currently underway with the Housing Team. The view of the PMG was that 155 was particularly important. GOWM would want to see
154	Net additional homes provided	PMG agreed to go with whatever decision came from	
155	Number of affordable homes delivered (gross)		

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156	Number of households living in Temporary Accommodation	at least 2 out of the 3 included as housing was seen to be a high priority for Herefordshire with the number of households in temporary accommodation performing particularly badly. It was noted that there were problems with the way the data was collected on the current B&B indicator and Herefordshire only had very small numbers of families in temporary accommodation.	the Housing Team
159	Supply of ready to develop housing sites	This was to be a local indicator but the three-year timescale was not felt to be realistic and the recommendation was to drop it which was agreed by PMG.	
163	Working age population qualified to at least Level 2 or higher		Agreed – in 35
167	Congestion - average journey time per mile during the morning peak	This had been very well supported and was one of the highest issues identified the local community.	Agreed – in 35
168	Principal roads where maintenance should be considered	GOWM were keen to see these indicators included and road maintenance came up as a high priority in Parish Plans.	Agreed – in 35
169	Non-principal roads where maintenance should be considered	Performance was particularly bad on non-principal roads. There was an impending review of the contract which gave a real opportunity to make an impact on this area of work.	Agreed – in 35
171	VAT registration rate <i>(HP Note: either 171 or 172 will be included)</i>	AWM strongly supporting 171 and 172. It was felt this indicator was preferable over 172 as back data was available.	Agreed – in 35
175	Access to services and facilities by public transport, walking and cycling	This indicator used data from the Local Transport Plan, which measured ease of access to the city and the market towns. There was tension between this and the council's aim to take services out to the local communities. The Rural Access Partnership (RAP) would be tasked with producing a local indicator which would more closely aligned to the LEADER project which was about taking services to people.	Agreed – local indicator (to be developed by RAP)
186	Per capita CO2 emissions in the LA area	The data to support this indicator was 2 years out of date and was modelled data, which meant there was no possibility of making an impact within the 3-year timescale of the LAA. It may be possible, with GOWM agreement, to use actions to measure this indicator. It was agreed that it would be included in the 35 but only subject to negotiation on targets and measurability.	Agreed - in 35 (subject to negotiations with GOWM)
187	Tackling fuel poverty - people receiving income based benefits living in homes with a low energy efficiency rating		Agreed - Local

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191	Residual household waste per head		Agreed – in 35
	Improved street and environmental cleanliness (levels of graffiti, litter, detritus and fly posting)	This had been proposed as a local indicator but following discussions it had been agreed to drop this. PMG agreed.	
197	Improved local biodiversity - active management of local sites		Agreed – in 35
		Agreed by PMG to go forward to be included in up to 35	27
		Awaiting the results of a discussion or technical guidance	9
		Local Indicator	5
	The above recommendations will go forward to the Chief Executive's Group on 14th March 2008 for ratification		