



Enfield's Future **A Sustainable Community Strategy** **for Enfield 2007-2017**

Visions and Strategic Objectives:

The ESP is committed to making Enfield

*'a healthy, prosperous, cohesive community
living in a borough that is safe, clean and green'*

Theme Area 1: Children and Young People

Vision: We want children to be healthy, at the centre of everything we do so that they can make a positive contribution, have fun and enjoy growing up. We want to build a community for them that keeps them safe, supports their creativity and enables them to meet their potential.

Theme Area 2: Safer and Stronger Communities

Vision: To make Enfield one of the safest boroughs in London.

Theme Area 3: Economic Development and Enterprise

Vision: We will work together to have a borough that is prosperous and attractive to our communities and visitors, local businesses and potential investors. Together we will create a sustainable, cleaner, greener and more vibrant borough.

Theme Area 4: Healthier Communities

Vision: We will work together to improve health and well-being of local people making the healthy choice the easy choice. We aim to reduce health inequalities, help people improve their own health and consider the broader health implications of our own actions and decisions.

Theme Area 5: Older People

Vision: We will work together to improve the quality of life for older people by celebrating their diversity and recognising their skills and experience through enabling involvement in decision-making, supporting them to maintain their independence and promoting a positive attitude to ageing.

Strategic Objectives:

Each of the Community Strategy's five themes has a set of objectives whose delivery will result in significant improvements and contribute to achieving the ESP's overall vision. The objectives and what will change are set out below.

Children and Young People

Objectives:

- To reduce the number of families with children living in poverty
- To improve outcomes for all children and narrow the gap in outcomes between those who do well and those who do not
- To improve young people's sexual health and reduce teenage pregnancy rates
- To safeguard children and young people from maltreatment, neglect, violence and sexual exploitation
- To reduce the number of young people involved in crime, disorder and anti-social behaviour
- To improve educational achievement at all key stages and increase school attendance
- To improve the range, quality and provision of accessible and affordable recreational and leisure activities for young people
- To increase opportunities for children and young people to influence local decision making
- To promote safer travel in Enfield

What will change:

We will have significantly improved the lives of children and their families currently living in poverty

We will have supported more families on state benefits back into employment, thereby lifting themselves out of poverty and giving young children the best start in life

We will have improved and better integrated services in early years, schools and health settings

We will have offered more targeted help to promote opportunity, prevent problems and intervene early and effectively when problems arise including sport and active recreation as part of wider early intervention programmes for vulnerable young people

We will have joined up services around the child and family in one easy to access place

We will have ensured there is shared responsibility across agencies for safeguarding children and protecting them from harm

We will have listened to and involved children, young people and families in planning and monitoring services

We will have ensured there is a range of good quality accessible community, leisure and cultural facilities

We will have ensured there is high quality physical education, physical activity and sport in all Enfield schools and the local community

We will have increased the number of young people visiting Enfield's leisure centres

We will have ensured there are more 'things to do and places to go' for young people in Enfield by ensuring enhanced opportunities for them to take part in leisure and cultural activities

We will have enhanced learning opportunities for children and young people through library-based activities and programmes

We will have enhanced social and community cohesion through activities provided at Enfield libraries and museums

Safer and Stronger Communities

Objectives:

- To reduce crime, disorder and anti-social behaviour
- To reduce fear of crime
- To reduce harm caused by drugs and alcohol
- To deliver the Respect Agenda Action Plan including the Respect standard for housing management
- To work with local partners to build community cohesion and develop local responses to hate crime, extremism and terrorism
- To further develop Neighbourhood Watch in high crime areas particularly among black and minority ethnic communities and young people
- To develop a cohesive response to fire related deaths
- To reduce the number of young people involved in crime, disorder and anti-social behaviour
- To increase partnership working within the community, including businesses, in order to reduce crime, disorder and anti-social behaviour
- To improve the street environment
- To create better places and secure environments through good urban design

What will change:

Our residents will feel safer through the reduction of anti-social behaviour in the community

We will have made our streets and public spaces feel safe and be safe

We will have tackled drug related crime by reducing the supply of illegal drugs and facilitating young drug users into treatment

We will have worked with our partners to develop a cohesive response to tackling hate crime, extremism and terrorism

We will have targeted high crime areas through the development of Neighbourhood Watch

We will have worked with our partners to ensure fewer fire related deaths

Economic Development and Enterprise

Objectives:

- To adopt a place-shaping approach to underpin the creation of a more prosperous Enfield
- To enhance town centres to meet the needs of the communities they serve
- To extend and consolidate the local economic base by maximising the economic potential of the Upper Lee Valley and town centres
- To increase the number of new businesses setting up and coming to the area and sustaining their development
- To tackle worklessness and reduce levels of unemployment, particularly amongst young people and disadvantaged sections of the community
- To provide a range of opportunities and support to develop skills, and enable all residents to access the employment market
- To ensure that all residents, including families, have the opportunity to live in a decent, sustainably constructed and affordable home
- To protect and improve the quality of built and open environment
- To support residents and businesses to preserve natural resources, become energy efficient, conserve water, reduce pollution and address the causes of global warming
- To increase biodiversity in order to provide a local distinctive natural identity
- To increase recycling and progressively reduce the amount of biodegradable waste landfilled
- To encourage the use of public transport, walking and cycling through the promotion of safer travel
- To increase volunteering in the borough
- To promote social inclusion so that all sections of the community are able to access opportunities, services and improve their quality of life

What will change:

Ponders End and other key locations will have been the focus of place-shaping interventions

Edmonton Green will have been transformed by the remodelling of the retail centre, new housing, a leisure centre and a new bus station

We will have brought forward a vision to complete the transformation of the Upper Lee Valley corridor, rejuvenating the industrial estates and unlocking the development potential of the Central Leaside area

We will have supported the promotion of a culture of enterprise to realise our potential for improved business growth

We will have continued to work closely with partner organisations to tackle high unemployment, in particular the most deprived wards

We will have helped create new jobs and match local skills with local jobs

We will have helped to promote the development of skills and life-long learning to encourage full participation of all our communities particularly under-represented groups

We will have ensured more people, particularly families, are able to access an increased stock of good quality housing, ensuring that new developments are designed and constructed in a sustainable way

We will have worked towards improving the environment and quality of life for local residents in the area around the North Circular

We will have helped reduce pollution levels and improved energy efficiency

We will have improved community cohesion through:

- increased volunteering from all sections of the community
- community involvement in town planning and service delivery to ensure that changes reflect the circumstances and aspirations of local people.

We will have promoted equal access to opportunities through good quality affordable homes, new jobs and better transport links

We will have promoted good urban design to ensure new development relates well to its surroundings and delivers high quality safe public spaces to support mixed, inclusive communities

Healthier Communities:

Healthier Communities Objectives:

- To improve life expectancy across the borough
- To improve life chances by reducing mortality rates from heart disease, stroke and related diseases
- To reduce the number of people who smoke or whose health is affected by second-hand smoke
- To reduce the harm caused by drugs and alcohol
- To improve access to sexual health screening services and reduce teenage pregnancy
- To increase residents' participation in regular physical activity
- To increase the number of people participating in healthy lifestyles across the borough
- To encourage the use of public transport, walking and cycling
- To enable more people to access improved diet and nutrition
- To ensure that the wider determinants of health¹ play a more active part in partner decision-making

What will change:

We will have helped reduce mortality rates from heart disease, stroke and diabetes

We will have helped reduce the number of people who smoke

We will have ensured young people's access to screening for sexually transmitted diseases is improved and teenage pregnancy rates reduced

We will have helped residents gain better access to physical activity and healthy diets, improving their health and psychological well-being

We will have increased the number of opportunities for residents to be involved in their communities and take part in health related activities including access to a broad range of leisure and cultural activities in the borough

We will have ensured a new leisure centre in Edmonton is completed by Spring 2007, which is critical to the development of modern community sports facilities in the Edmonton area

We will have ensured a new Athletics Regional Performance Centre is completed by January 2007, a likely venue for the 2012 Olympics and Paralympics

¹ The wider determinants of health include individual lifestyle factors, social and community influences, living and working conditions, ethnicity and general socio-economic, cultural and environmental factors.

We will have ensured the completion of a new cultural centre and museum as part of the new development of Enfield Town centre. The scheme, due for completion in 2007, will ensure that the town centre will become a livelier place for people to enjoy

We will ensure that all residents have access to good quality open space

We will have ensured there are more recreation activities for people aged over 50

We will have supported older people to live at home through home improvement schemes and direct payments

Older People

Older People Objectives:

- To promote active citizenship and involvement in decision-making
- To ensure equal access to all statutory and non-statutory services
- To promote greater choice, control, autonomy, safety, independence and well-being
- To help older people live longer and healthier lives
- To respect the rights of older people and ensure services are person-centred
- To promote positive attitudes to ageing across different generations
- To actively tackle discrimination and inequalities amongst older people
- To provide good and accessible information about all services

What will change:

We will have helped residents gain better access to physical activity and healthy diets, improving their health and psychological well-being.

We will have ensured there are more recreation activities for people aged over 50.

We will have supported older people to live at home through home improvement schemes and direct payments.

We will have championed positive attitudes towards ageing and positive relationships between generations.

We will have improved access to and awareness of services available to older people.