



# Milton Keynes Regeneration Strategy Consultation

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# Deepening divide



Number of Super-Output Areas	IMD 2004	IMD 2007
In lowest 25% in the country	18	21
Medium ranking between lowest 25% and most affluent 25% in the country	61	56
In the 25% least deprived in the country	60	62
	139	139

# Key Strategy Principles



- **Strategic Fit** – to complement wider MK strategies most importantly the Community Strategy
- **Subsidiarity** – decision-making and service to be made at the right level - involving local people as much as possible.
- **Sustainability** – enhance the quality of life and well-being, without damaging the environment or other people, now and in the future.
- **Co-operation** – improved partnership working with all living and working in the neighbourhood
- **Empowerment** – working with local residents to raise aspirations.

*Are these principles right?*



# What are Neighbourhood Action Plans?



Based on:

- Consensus about what is the local neighbourhood
- Analysis of the local social, economic and physical circumstances to understand the local causes of deprivation
- Understanding what makes for a successful and sustainable neighbourhood.
- Developing the neighbourhood capital of the locality.

The capital of a neighbourhood consists of the assets of the community.  
Those assets fall into the different classes of:

- **Physical capital**
- **Economic capital**
- **Human capital**
- **Social/cultural capital**



# Neighbourhood



## Physical Capital

- Examine if right size -using concept of “walkable neighbourhood”
- Establish if contains enough people to support local facilities
- Identifying appropriate mix of land uses, of property types and housing tenures

“Develop a local spatial strategy that will increase the physical capital of the area and ensure the benefits of any development opportunities flow back to the local community”

## Human Capital

- Develop stronger local learning cultures
- Produce local learning plans
- Improve performance of local schools
- Promote healthy living and physical exercise

## Economic Capital

- Develop local employment strategy
- Spread home ownership by improving local affordability
- Promote social enterprise
- Support local business and retail provision

## Social/Cultural capital

- Local audit of community facilities, services and groups
- Local community development and capacity building strategies
- Engage “hard-to-reach” groups
- Extend model of Beanhill Neighbourhood Agreement to priority neighbourhoods



# Which Neighbourhoods?



- High rates of worklessness
- Low levels of skills and qualifications
- Poor educational achievement
- More problems with crime and anti-social behaviour
- Poor quality housing and public realm
- Inadequate local services and facilities
- Greater health problems.

*Are there other issues?*



# Priority Neighbourhoods



- Beanhill
- Bradville/New Bradwell & Stantonbury
- Central MK
- Coffee Hall
- Conniburrow
- Eaglestone
- Fenny Stratford
- Fishermead
- Fullers Slade
- Greenleys
- Granby
- Hodge Lea
- Leadenhall
- Netherfield
- Simpson
- Springfield
- Stacey Bushes
- Tinkers Bridge
- Water Eaton

*Identified using the Index of Multiple Deprivation  
2008*

***Are the neighbourhoods we  
have identified for action  
right?***



# Implementation



- Managed on the strategic level by sub-group within the LSP
- Production and local co-ordination of the Neighbourhood Action Plans devolved to the appropriate Parish and Town Councils, with guidance and support provided by Milton Keynes Council.
- A rolling programme of Neighbourhood Action Plans will be developed for the next five years for the 19 Priority Neighbourhoods.
- In first year, pilot the Neighbourhood Action Plans in three settlements to build local capacity and establish the appropriate working protocols



# What do you think?



1. **Are these principles the right basis for the Milton Keynes Regeneration Strategy?**
2. **Are the neighbourhoods we have identified for action right? What other areas should be considered and why?**
3. **Do you think that the Core Elements of the Neighbourhood Action Plans are right?**
4. **What do you think about targeting activity in the neighbourhood plans on developing the physical, economic, human and social capital?**
5. **Are the priorities under each theme about right? Can you think of others that should be considered?**
6. **What do you think about the proposed management arrangements? Are the Parish and Town Councils the right bodies to lead?**
7. **What do you believe (if any) gaps exist in the regeneration strategy?**
8. **Do you/your organisation wish to be further involved in producing robust action plans in a strategic context?**



# How to Respond to Regeneration & Cohesion



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