

RENEWING OUR NEIGHBOURHOODS: Action Plan. DRAFT 16.09.02

Part 1: Skills and Knowledge

Neighbourhood Renewal requires a change in the way that public, private and voluntary sector agencies work and engage with communities in deprived areas. Local residents, organisations and public services all have much to contribute to neighbourhood renewal and the fulfilment of its objectives. An integral part of this is the sharing of skills and knowledge so that everyone can contribute fully and to encourage community cohesion.

The table below gives an indication of what has been achieved since October 2001, and what is planned to September 2003; references to Golborne and St Charles (the priority areas) and activities supported by Neighbourhood Renewal programme funding are **highlighted**

Aspect	Issue	Achieved: October 2001 - September 2002	Planned: October 2002 – September 2003	Lead Partners
1. Shared Vision	What are we trying to achieve?	Preparation and publication of a Borough-wide vision in the Community Strategy Publication of Summary of Progress, setting out the Partnership's approach to neighbourhood renewal	Testing of vision through Borough Conference 2002 and annual review of the Community Strategy and the Neighbourhood Renewal Strategy	KCP, RBKC
		Adoption of a set of NR strategic objectives Identification of key issues in Golborne and St Charles	Testing of objectives and issues through Borough Conference 2002 and annual review of the Neighbourhood Renewal Strategy	KCP, NRSG

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2. Co-ordinated planning	Who is doing what already and what still needs to be done?	Preparation and publication of Area Profiles for the different parts of the Borough, including plans and opportunities Preparation of a Neighbourhood Action Plan for the priority areas, Golborne and St Charles	NRS Implementation Plan (November 2002) and first annual review (September 2003) Geo-coding of mapped information to allow on-line updating Update data analysis by 'new' wards, and other appropriate 'small areas', as data becomes available from the Census and other sources	NRSG RBKC KCP RBKC
		Analysis of regeneration funding going into North Kensington MORI Survey of Managers of Public Services, across the KCP, looking at how resources are allocated (December 2001)	Attempt to quantify the amount of 'mainstream' resources going into Golborne and St Charles	NRSG, RBKC
		Development of initiatives supported by NRF (see Statement of Use)	Monitor the effectiveness of the use of the fund to achieve neighbourhood renewal objectives	NRSG, KCP
3. Local participation	How do we help more residents to become involved in neighbourhood issues?	First Borough Conference, October 2001 Representation of residents on SRB Boards and LSP steering group	Second Borough Conference, November 2002	KCP, RBKC

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		<p>Programme of Borough-wide and area-based participation events to inform the draft Community and Neighbourhood Renewal strategies.</p> <p>Regular opinion and satisfaction surveys, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RBKC: residents' panel • Social landlords: tenants 	In-depth study by the Council's Overview and Scrutiny Committees of the effectiveness of public consultation procedures and practice	RBKC, MRCF
		Consultation on draft strategies and preparation of Golborne & St Charles : Neighbourhood Action Plan	<p>Publication, publicity and widespread circulation of the NRS</p> <p>Use of KCP website to raise awareness of Neighbourhood Renewal in Kensington and Chelsea</p>	KCP, RBKC
		<p>NRF funding of Community Literacy Project to increase parents' involvement in Education</p> <p>NRF funding of Refugee Education team initiative to improve support to local schools with high proportion of refugee and asylum seeker communities</p>	<i>Launch of Sure Start Golborne Parent Involvement Programme and activities</i>	SSG
4. Partnership working	How can we encourage different services, organisations and groups to communicate and work with each other better?	Establishment of cross-sector Neighbourhood Renewal Steering group (NRSG) accountable to KCP	Review membership of NRSG to ensure it continues to reflect local partnerships working in Golborne and St Charles	NRSG, KCP

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		NRSG members and partners acting as information bridges between North Kensington Regeneration Partnerships(NKRPs) and the NRS	Develop involvement of NKRPs to maximise their contribution to the renewal of our neighbourhoods	NRSG
		Consultation meetings with K&C Chamber of Commerce; Portobello Business Forum	Set up a business panel to consult with business	RBKC, KCP
		Forum of Faiths established Open days: e.g. Muslim Cultural Heritage Centre	National Faith in Regeneration conference, September 2002, to be held in MCHC	FOF, MCHC
5. Organisational Effectiveness	How can we help local services and agencies to become more effective?	<p>Community Empowerment Fund (CEF) launched in Kensington and Chelsea, with the Voluntary Organisations Forum (VOF) acting as the local Community Network.</p> <p>Uses of CEF to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> develop the Social Council's website as a resource for the voluntary sector hold capacity building training workshops run by the Social Council with the Black Training Enterprise Group (BTEG). 	<p>CEF to continue to enhance involvement and skills and knowledge of voluntary sector to contribute fully to neighbourhood renewal</p> <p>Additional NRF funding for voluntary sector capacity building, developing the ability of community and voluntary organisations to support renewal of local neighbourhoods</p>	<p>VOF, KCSC,</p> <p>VOF, KCSC,</p>
		Community Chest grant scheme launched. By May 2002 £55,386 had been allocated to 23 community organisations in Kensington and Chelsea	Administration of 2002/03 Community Chest allocation of £97,740, including application support workshops	CEMVO VOF

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		<p>Meet the Funder events held for voluntary organisations and social enterprises</p> <p>NRF funding: <u>Employment and Training</u>, to support education and training agencies to take future statutory and European funding opportunities</p>	<p>Publish guide to small grants schemes available in Borough, and arrange further Meet the Funder events</p> <p>Set up Community Foundation to generate sustainable income for future regeneration initiatives and projects</p>	<p>NKPs</p> <p>RBKC</p>
		<p>Launch of Regeneration Exchange bringing together local service providers across the Partnership.</p> <p>Two themed events held:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> January 2001 (Golborne): presentation of findings of Survey of Heads of Service (MORI); plus NRS strategic framework workshops May 2002 (St Charles): presentations by the Primary Care Trust and local health projects; plus Golborne & St Charles NAP workshops 	<p><i>Three themed Regeneration Exchange events to be held:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>October (Golborne): presentations and workshops on housing regeneration</i> <i>February and June themes to be agreed</i> 	<p>NRSG, NKRP</p>
		<p>MORI Survey of Managers of Public Services, across the KCP, looking at how resources are allocated (December 2001)</p>	<p>Best Value reviews to take account of the NRS</p> <p>Local organisations and service providers to take account of the NRS in establishing priorities and business planning</p>	<p>KCP, ALL</p> <p>KCP, ALL</p>

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6. Monitoring and evaluation	How do we know whether we are achieving our objectives?	Audit and presentation in Area Profiles of information and data by district and ward (as at March 2002), to provide a baseline to measure the impact of NR and other regeneration programmes	NRS Implementation Plan (November 2003) Annual review of the NRS (reporting to KCP September 2003)	NRSG NRSG, KCP
		Publication Statement of Use of NRF 202/03 and anticipated impacts Assessment and mapping of national floor targets against: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • borough performance measures • borough performance targets • provisional Public Service Agreement between the Council and the Government 	Where appropriate, elicit from partners local performance measures against activities in the Golborne & St Charles NAP, linked to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • national floor targets; • local targets to which mainstream services and partnerships are working • local targets established as part of a Public Service Agreement between the Council and the Government; 	NRSG, RBKC
		Launch of independent end-of-programme evaluation of FUNK SRB, seeking views of voluntary sector and other NKRP on its impact.	Publish and publicise results to shape and inform future regeneration plans and activities in North Kensington Royal Borough review of economic development and regeneration (autumn 2002 - spring 2003)	FUNK, RBKC, KCP RBKC, KCP
		Launch of independent evaluation of the first 3 years of Golborne United SRB; Trained local residents are undertaking interviews with fellow residents, to inform the evaluation	Prepare plans based on evaluation to inform the second half of Golborne United programme, to 2006 Share good practice on how to utilise expertise of local residents as researchers for future consultations with others	GU, RBKC GU, RBKC

Key to Lead Partners

CEMVO	Council for Ethnic Minority Voluntary Organisations	MRCF	Migrant and Refugee Communities Forum
FOF	Forum of Faiths	NKRP	North Kensington Regeneration Partnerships
FUNK	Fighting Unemployment in North Kensington	NRSG	Neighbourhood Renewal Steering Group
GU	Golborne United	RBKC	The Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea
KCP	The Kensington and Chelsea Partnership	SSG	Sure Start Golborne
KCSC	Kensington and Chelsea Social Council	SSNWK	Sure Start North West Kensington
MCHC	Muslim Cultural Heritage Centre	VOF	Voluntary Organisations Forum