

One Wrexham
Community Cohesion Strategy

Consultation
11 March – 3 June 2008

This Strategy has been developed by the Council through the Community Cohesion Co-ordination Group and in consultation with the Wrexham Local Service Board.

Our intention is that this first Community Cohesion strategy will:

- Make clear how in the first 3 years of the Strategy we will develop processes to communicate more effectively with our diverse communities. This will help us to shape and inform all future strategies;
- Make clear how baseline community cohesion information will be collected and shared; and
- Clarify some direct action that will support cohesion at a community level.

We acknowledge that developing a picture of local cohesion is an evolving process. Based on feedback to this draft Strategy and implementation of the agreed Strategy we will continue to develop our understanding of what is important locally and the measures we must take to support cohesion.

Please complete the questions set out below. We have left space for any additional thoughts and comments you may have.

Deadlines for responses: 3 June 2008

Name of respondent:

Job title: [if applicable] Work telephone number [optional]

Organisation: [if applicable]

Is this a joint response on behalf of a group or partnership? Yes / No*

[* delete as applicable]

If yes, please give brief details of group and membership:

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Date form completed:

Structure

Please comment on:

1. Level of detail in the Strategy and Action Plan

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2. Read-ability

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3. Is there any jargon? If yes, please give page reference

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4. Any other comments about the structure of the Strategy and Action Plan?

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Introduction and Context [Chapter 1, page 3]

4. Does the Strategy make it clear what community cohesion is? Please comment::

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6. Does the Strategy reflect what you understand to be community cohesion issues in Wrexham? Please comment::

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Existing work in Wrexham [Chapter 2, page 10]

7. Does the Strategy make it clear what we have done so far to support community cohesion in the County Borough? Please comment::

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Developing Strategic Priorities [Chapter 3, page 15]

8. Do you agree with the Vision for Wrexham? Please comment:

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9. Are the 4 strategic priorities the right ones? Do they make sense in relation to what you know is happening across Wrexham?

- Engagement - please comment:

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- Education and Raising Awareness - please comment::

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- Understanding Needs - please comment::

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- Integration - please comment:

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10. If you do not agree with the priorities we have identified what should they be and why?

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Action Plan [Chapter 5, separate document]

11. Will the action plan deliver the strategic priorities? Please comment::

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12. Please describe what you feel is the most important action that should be taken in relation to each of the strategic priorities:

a. Engagement

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b. Education and raising awareness

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c. Understanding community needs

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d. Integration

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13. Please identify any actions that are missing from the action plan. Please explain why you feel these additional actions are important.

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14. How can your organisation help to deliver:

a) actions identified in the action plan?

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b) any gaps/additional actions you have identified?

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Management and Monitoring Arrangements [Chapter 4, page 23]

We are keen to ensure that we monitor and evaluate the impact of our work and our progress in implementing the action plan.

15 The community cohesion targets described at paragraph 4.3 are based on national targets. These will enable us to assess our progress against other local authority areas. Are these the right targets for Wrexham? Yes / No [Delete as applicable]

Please describe how we can improve them:

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Additional comments:

Please give any further comments you wish to make:

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Thank you

Your support is much appreciated

Return form to:

By post: Community Cohesion Co-ordination Group, C/o Gill Grainger, Community Cohesion Co-ordinator, WCBC, Economic Development Department, Lambpit Street, Wrexham. LL11 1AR.

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