



## Everyone different, everyone matters - e-bulletin for partners

**December 2011**

Welcome to the latest e-Bulletin for those involved/ interested in partnership working in Calderdale. The Bulletin aims to keep you informed of news, events, developments, best practice and features. Please forward this e-mail to anyone you think would be interested.

- **The Calderdale Assembly**

The first Calderdale Assembly took place on Thursday 10th November 2011, at the Shay Stadium, Halifax and was attended by more than 100 representatives from the public, private and voluntary sectors. Delegates came together to help develop Calderdale's first Wellbeing Strategy, the purpose of which is to improve and protect the wellbeing of the people who live and work in Calderdale.

During the day delegates heard presentations from Robin Tuddenham, Safer and Stronger Director at the Council, Graham Wardman, Director of Public Health, and the Council's Chief Executive, Owen Williams. They also took part in workshop discussions centred around the specific needs associated with different stages of life, and an interactive voting session in which they could indicate those priority outcomes they felt most strongly about.

Visit the [Calderdale Assembly](#) web page on the Calderdale Forward website to see the papers and presentations that were delivered on the day and to download a copy of the [Conference Report](#) (if you require a hard copy, please contact a member of the Partnership Support Team).

- **The Wellbeing Strategy**

Delegates at the Calderdale Assembly were provided with a '[Summary of the Evidence of Need in Calderdale](#)', upon which to base their discussions about priority outcomes for Calderdale's Wellbeing Strategy. Following on from the Assembly, fifteen broad outcomes have been drawn from the evidence of need and from the feedback received at the Assembly itself. Click [here](#) to see a summary of these outcomes and for the opportunity to rank your top five. Completed forms should be saved and returned to The Partnership Support Team, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Westgate House Westgate, Halifax HX1 1PS, or by email to [partnerships@calderdale.gov.uk](mailto:partnerships@calderdale.gov.uk), by **Friday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2012**. Following this date the results will be collated and fed in to discussions at the Health and Wellbeing Board, which has responsibility for preparing Calderdale's Wellbeing Strategy.

- **Health and Wellbeing Board**

The Health and Wellbeing Board held its second public meeting on 25<sup>th</sup> October 2011. Issues discussed at the meeting include an update on the Calderdale Needs Assessment, the development of the Calderdale Wellbeing Strategy, and an update on the work of the HealthWatch Task & Finish Group. Click [here](#) to see the minutes and papers from the meeting.

The next meeting of the Health and Wellbeing Board is scheduled to take place on Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> January 2012, 2pm, at **Shibden Room, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor F Mill, Dean Clough**. Papers for the meeting will be published on the [Health and Wellbeing Board](#) web page on the Calderdale Forward website, and on the Council's website, one week prior to the meeting.

- **Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA) - Update**

The JSNA is now available for the first time on a website, [www.calderdalejsna.org.uk](http://www.calderdalejsna.org.uk). Following the consultation exercise earlier this year a number of additions to the needs assessment were made including increased data on gay and lesbian issues, an additional chapter on domestic violence, and further integration of work done through the housing strategy. Further developments will include a climate change chapter, a Roma community need assessment, and exploration with the voluntary sector on the development of an assets based needs assessment. A 6-month evaluation of the website will be undertaken to evaluate impact and highlight further areas for development.

- **Child Poverty Needs Assessment**

The Child Poverty Act 2010 places a duty on local authorities to undertake and publish an assessment of the needs of children living in poverty in its area. Calderdale's Child Poverty Needs Assessment covers the key areas of: employment, skills and education; income; health; and, housing. It will inform the development of the Child Poverty Strategy for Calderdale. The [Executive Summary](#) of the Child Poverty Needs Assessment will be received by the Children and Young People's Executive in January 2012. For further information please contact Anne Craven, Director 16-19 Team, [anne.craven@calderdale.gov.uk](mailto:anne.craven@calderdale.gov.uk).

- **Local Healthwatch**

Following a local consultation event which took place on the 21<sup>st</sup> September a [draft outline](#) has now been produced for how Local Healthwatch will be commissioned from next year. Comments are requested by 9<sup>th</sup> January 2012 using the [response form](#), or by contacting Sarah Manfredi, Neighbourhoods & Community Engagement, 3rd Floor, Northgate House, Halifax, HX1 1UN, [sarah.manfredi@calderdale.gov.uk](mailto:sarah.manfredi@calderdale.gov.uk).

- **Making a Difference Awards**

The Making A Difference Awards Ceremony, run by Local Government Yorkshire and the Humber was held at The Space Events Centre, Wakefield, on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> November. Calderdale received second place awards: for managing community tensions, in the 'Outstanding Contribution to Strong and Harmonious Communities' category; and, for the Calderdale Midnight League in the 'The 2012 Award for Culture and Sport'. Well done to all those involved. Full details of the awards can be found [here](#).

- **Support and Aspiration in Calderdale**

Support and Aspiration in Calderdale is part of the national pathfinder programme to test out proposed reforms to help disabled children and those with special educational needs (SEN). The launch event in November brought together 150 people from health, social care and education to work alongside families, children and young people to discuss, challenge and inspire each other on the way ahead and has provided a powerful springboard to launch the pathfinder work. A full report of the event including all comments, questions, suggestions and commitments is available from Phil Brayshaw (Pathfinder Lead) [phil.brayshaw@calderdale-pct.nhs.uk](mailto:phil.brayshaw@calderdale-pct.nhs.uk), and will also be available shortly on the Calderdale Forward website, [www.calderdaleforward.org.uk](http://www.calderdaleforward.org.uk).

- **Partnership Communications – Everyone Different, Everyone Matters**

Work has commenced on the development of a new website focused around the ‘Everyone Different, Everyone Matters’ partnership branding, which will more accurately reflect the transitioning partnership arrangements, with links to and from the original Calderdale Forward website. For further information, or to contribute items to future bulletins or the website, please contact the Partnership Support Team at [partnerships@calderdale.gov.uk](mailto:partnerships@calderdale.gov.uk) .

- **Policy Briefings**

The following link to the Calderdale Forward website provides the latest Policy Briefings summarising key policy announcements by the Government. Policy briefings numbers 28 to 31 have been circulated since the last e-bulletin.

[Policy Briefings](#)

- **National Consultations**

The following [link](#) provides an up to date list of, and links to, relevant national consultations from Government Departments. If your organisation has responded or is planning to respond to a particular consultation, and would like others to be aware of its views, the Partnership Support Team ([partnerships@calderdale.gov.uk](mailto:partnerships@calderdale.gov.uk) ) will be happy to post your response, or draft response, on this part of the website.

**And finally for now...**

***We wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year***



***From the Partnership Support Team: Alan, Rachel and Sheron***

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***If you have any queries or have an item you would like us to consider for the next Calderdale Forward e-bulletin please contact Sheron Hobson (01422 393199), or Rachel Stewart (01422 393032), or email: [partnership@calderdale.gov.uk](mailto:partnership@calderdale.gov.uk) ..***