

Questionnaire: How can we improve the Carlisle Partnership?

To all Partners,

To coincide with the publication of the first Community Plan Report and Update we are currently reviewing the structural and operational arrangements of the partnership. We have prepared some supporting information on other Local Strategic Partnerships operating in Cumbria and would appreciate you responding to the following questions.

Please return your completed questionnaires by no later than **Thursday 31st July** to carlislepartnership@carlisle.gov.uk or **Carlisle Partnership, Carlisle City Council, Civic Centre, Carlisle, CA3 8QG**. Copies of this questionnaire are also available on our web site at http://www.carlisle.gov.uk/council_and_democracy/partnerships/carlisle_partnership.aspx

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Please mark (X) your answers and rate where indicated on the following scale:

1 = very unsatisfied 2 = unsatisfied 3 = neither satisfied nor unsatisfied 4 = satisfied 5 = very satisfied

YOUR DETAILS

Name	
Organisation	
Address	
Postcode	
Telephone	
Email	
Web site	

1. STRUCTURE

1.1 How satisfied are you with the current partnership structure?

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1.2 How satisfied are you with current representation on the priority groups?

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1.3 Do you think the partnership is lacking in representation from any of the following sectors? (Mark all that apply)

Local authorities	
Other public sector organisations	
Private sector businesses	
Community and voluntary groups	
Interest groups	
Other (please state):	

If yes, please give details

1.4 How satisfied are you with the current number of priority working groups?

1		2		3		4		5	
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1.5 Do you think the partnership would be improved with the creation of any additional working groups?

Yes	
No	

If yes, please give details

2. MEETINGS

2.1 How satisfied are you with the current regularity of the following meetings?

2.1.1 Full Forum (3 x yearly)

1		2		3		4		5	
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2.1.2 Executive (bi-monthly)

1		2		3		4		5	
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2.1.3 Convenors (bi-monthly)

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2.1.4 Healthy Communities and Older People (monthly)

1		2		3		4		5	
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2.1.5 Children and Young People’s Planning Group (monthly)

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2.1.6 Economic Development and Enterprise (quarterly)

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2.2 The Healthy Communities and Older People Group and the Children and Young People’s Planning Group both currently hold bi-annual wider forum events. Would you like to see this arrangement replicated by the other priority groups?

Yes	
No	

2.3 Do you approve of the current joint working arrangement with Children’s Services on the Children and Young People priority?

Yes	
No	

2.4 How satisfied are you with the venues currently used for meetings?

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2.5 Would your organisation be willing to host partnership meetings in the future?

Yes	
No	

If yes, please give details of your venue

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3. PRIORITIES

3.1 How satisfied are you with the refreshed priorities for 2008-09?

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3.2 Would your organisation like to get more involved in project/service delivery?

Yes	
No	

If yes, please give details

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3.3 Can you identify any gaps in our current priorities for Carlisle?

Yes	
No	

If yes, please give details

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4. PARTNERSHIP WORKING

4.1 How satisfied are you with your current level of involvement in the partnership?

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4.2 Would your organisation like to be more involved in any particular areas of work?

Yes	
No	

If yes, please give details

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4.3 Do you think that your organisation benefits from involvement with the partnership?

Yes	
No	

If yes, please give details

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4.4 Please describe your most positive experience(s) during your involvement with the partnership, i.e. where have we been successful

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4.5 Do you consider there are any barriers affecting the effectiveness of the partnership?

Yes	
No	

If yes, please give details

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4.6 How can we improve your experience of partnership working in Carlisle?

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5. COMMUNICATIONS

5.1 How satisfied are you with the current level of communication across the partnership?

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5.2 Have you visited the Carlisle Partnership web site?

Yes	
No	

5.3 If yes, how satisfied were you with the information and documents available?

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5.4 Which methods of communication would you prefer for partnership updates? (Mark all that apply)

Letter	
Email	
Web site	
Newsletter	

5.5 If you have marked 'newsletter', how often would you like this to be published?

Monthly	
Quarterly	
Twice annually	
Annually	

5.6 And finally, how else can we improve our partnership support service to your organisation?

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We greatly appreciate you taking the time to complete this questionnaire and look forward to hearing from you and acting on your suggestions. The results of this questionnaire will be made available to all partners later this year.