

Terms of Reference for Ambition Board 2:
To tackle disadvantage - To create opportunities

September 2011
(Live document to be regularly reviewed and updated)

Role

1. Ambition Board 2 is responsible for overseeing the county's progress towards the second countywide ambition in Vision for Kent 2011-2021: To tackle disadvantage.
2. Ambition Board 2 will act as a 'change agent' in relation to ambition 2. It's role will include stimulating new ways of working, challenging barriers to improvement and cascading good practice.
3. Ambition Board 2 will minimise the bureaucracy involved in delivering ambition 2 across the county, and will rationalise unfocussed, overlapping and unaccountable partnerships, while maintaining the benefits of genuine partnership working.
4. Ambition Board 2 will work with locality arrangements to support them, including to act as pilots and share learning, to remove barriers to improvement and to get rid of duplication and additional bureaucracy at local level.

Aims, Actions and Deliverables

5. Ambition Board 2 has set its long-term aim as Tackling Family Poverty, as a route by which to make a real difference to tackling disadvantage across Kent.
6. Within this long-term aim, Ambition Board 2 has identified medium-term and short-term aims, actions and deliverables that will guide its work and that it will regularly measure success against. These are set out in the Aims, Actions and Deliverables Plan for Ambition Board 2 (Appendix 2.)
7. The Plan will be reviewed annually in September to assess whether the aims need to be updated.

Status

8. Ambition Board 2 is accountable to the Kent Forum, who will approve the Ambition Board's Aims, Actions and Deliverables Plan and receive reports on progress.
9. Ambition Board 2 is advisory in capacity and is not formal decision-making body.

Membership

10. The membership of Ambition Board 2 is shown in Appendix 1.
11. The composition and balance of County / District and Member / officer representatives on Ambition Board 2 will be preserved.
12. Colleagues from other agencies and other Directorates / Divisions of KCC and District Councils will be involved in the work of Ambition Board 2 as necessary.

Access to Information

13. The Ambition Board will adhere to requirements of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Appendix 1 - Membership of Ambition Board 2

(as at Sept 2011)

Leaders / KCC Cabinet Members:		
Peter Wood	Ashford	Elected as Vice-Chairman 22.06.11
Peter Fleming	Sevenoaks	
Robert Bayford	Thanet	
Mark Worrall	Tonbridge and Malling	
Brian Cope	Kent Fire and Rescue	
Graham Gibbens	KCC (primary)	Elected as Chairman 22.06.11
Jenny Whittle	KCC (support)	
Chief Executives:		
Colin Carmichael	Canterbury	
Nadeem Aziz	Dover	
Alison Broom	Maidstone	
Alistair Stewart	Shepway	
Abdool Kara	Swale	
Malcolm Newsam	KCC	

Appendix 2 - Aims, Actions and Deliverables Plan for Ambition Board 2
(as at September 2011)

To follow when developed and agreed.

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