

Neighbourhood Plan 2006 - 2008

Easton & Lawrence Hill – together with St Paul's – was chosen to be one of three pilot areas putting in place Neighbourhood Management in 2006-8. Neighbourhood Management aims to improve services and the living environment so local residents are more satisfied with their neighbourhood. It involves working with agencies to improve services that are being delivered and to meet the priorities of local people.

As part of this, a Neighbourhood Plan for the Inner City area was drawn up with input from local people and agencies. The plan sets out the priorities for Easton & Lawrence Hill, the action to be taken to address these, and how success will be measured.

In the plan there are three key priorities for local people:

- Children and young people have the best possible start in life.
- Safe, well-maintained and sustainable neighbourhoods.
- Achieve economic well-being.

Generally the plan aims to:

- Improve the coordination of services and strategic planning at a neighbourhood level.
- Improve communication and joint-working on concerns and issues that are common to all inner city communities.
- Make sure there is effective communication between service providers and local communities.
- Secure changes in the way services operate so they effectively meet the needs of all service users.

The plan sets out ways to achieve these aims in six broad areas of work:

- Increasing the capacity of the local community so people are empowered to take part in local decision-making and are able to influence service delivery.
- Children and young people have the best possible start in life.
- Safer communities.
- Satisfaction with the local environment
- The economy.
- Healthier communities.

The plan is still being finalised, including setting targets for what Neighbourhood Management will strive to achieve by March 2008, but if you want to find out how to get hold of the latest copy on paper or by email, contact Neighbourhood Renewal on 0117 377 3638. The plan will also soon be available on our website at www.springin2action.org.uk.