



# Wandsworth Voluntary Sector Development Agency

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WVSDA Briefing on the proceedings of the 19 Jan 2010 meeting of the

## Wandsworth Local Strategic Partnership

### 1. Updated deprivation assessment of Wandsworth

Priority Area Overview (POA) 2010

The POA shows how relative deprivation and disadvantage is spread across the borough. It is related to the work done on Neighbourhood Renewal in the early 2000s and builds a picture of how **crime, health, economic situation and education** contribute to the overall situation at ward level in Wandsworth.

Here is a summary of the best and worst rated areas:

#### Health

Best: Thamesfield, Southfields  
Worst: Latchmere, Roehampton

#### Economic

Best: Thamesfield, Northcote  
Worst: Latchmere, Roehampton

#### Education

Best: Thamesfield, Northcote  
Worst: Roehampton, Queenstown

#### Crime

Best: East Putney, West Hill  
Worst: Latchmere, Roehampton

To see how different parts of Wandsworth rank on a map of the borough, please go to [www.wandsworth.gov.uk/moderngov/Published/C00000373/M00003386/AI00015829/\\$P/AO2010updatePaperB.doc.pdf](http://www.wandsworth.gov.uk/moderngov/Published/C00000373/M00003386/AI00015829/$P/AO2010updatePaperB.doc.pdf) and look at page 20.

### 2. Census 2011

Ten years after the last census, it is time again to get counted! For 2011, the Office for National Statistics is creating their own dataset merging a large number of databases held by local authorities and other agencies. The aim in Wandsworth is to improve on the previous turnout of 89%.

In connection with the census there will be many temporary, short-term jobs available on a local basis and the government will be looking for people with community connections to help them get everyone in specific areas counted. More information about opportunities and how to apply is available from [www.censusjobs.co.uk](http://www.censusjobs.co.uk)

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### 3. The Council's budget

Wandsworth Council's annual budget exceeds £900 million (excluding its pension fund). The budget is managed through four financial frameworks:

1. The General Fund (day to day revenue expenditure)
2. The Housing Revenue account (Council Housing)
3. Schools (directly funded by central government)
4. Capital (improvements to non-housing assets, e.g. roads)

The budget for 2010/11 and the financial strategy for 2012/13 were highlighted at the LSP meeting, and the Council is also consulting on its expenditure plans right now. The **deadline is very short – 11 Feb 2010** – so if you want to comment on the proposed plans, please contact Mr K Florey at the Council on [kflorey@wandsworth.gov.uk](mailto:kflorey@wandsworth.gov.uk) or 020-8871 6498.

Here are some of the main issues to flag up for the year ahead:

- The Council's General Fund income is likely to decrease because of the economic climate.
- Current General Fund Reserves are at £12.5 million and likely to remain at that level.
- On street parking charges have been frozen.
- The Council tax is not set to increase.
- Housing rent is set to decrease by £1.10 per week.
- The Capital programme is reduced from £37 million in 2009-10 to just below £30 million in 2010-11 as a result of falling income from the sale of WBC assets.
- The WBC is expecting a £7 million shortfall as a result of reduced income from a number of sources and beyond March 2011, expenditure will have to be reduced or alternative sources of income (e.g. higher council tax or other charges) have to be found.

For full details of all agenda items and papers circulated in connection with this meeting, please visit the WLSP web pages on Wandsworth Council's website:

[www.wandsworth.gov.uk/moderngov/ieListMeetings.aspx?XXR=0&Year=2010&CId=373](http://www.wandsworth.gov.uk/moderngov/ieListMeetings.aspx?XXR=0&Year=2010&CId=373)

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