

Learning to Deliver Digest 24

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Welcome to the latest of our digests supporting partnership development and performance improvement across LAAs in the West Midlands. Each issue features developments in policy and practice relevant to your roles in driving change and improvement.

Social Mobility White Paper

The Social Mobility White Paper, *New Opportunities: fair chances for the future* sets out the Government's approach to helping people make the most of their potential. It floats a proposal to introduce a duty on public agencies to narrow the gap in outcomes for people from different backgrounds and includes commitments such as:

- free early learning and childcare places for two years olds, with an initial extension to 15% of the most disadvantaged in every local authority area
- pilot for Child Development Grants to test how financial incentives can be used to encourage parents to use childcare and other services offered by Sure Start centres
- guaranteed college and training places for 16 and 17 year olds, along with second, third and fourth chances to people who want to improve their skills and employability
- greater employment and training support for people (including parents) people returning to work after at least five years in a caring capacity, as well as for agency workers and people with mental health conditions
- expansion of Family Intervention Projects and Family Nurse Partnerships
- 'Inspiring Communities' campaign to bring together schools, businesses, agencies, parents and the wider neighbourhood to raise aspirations of young people (15 neighbourhoods initially)
- New Communities Fund to support the regeneration work of the Homes and Communities Agency (10 pilots with local authorities)

www.hm.gov.uk/newopportunities.aspx

Publication accompanied by *Aspirations and attainment in deprived communities*

www.cabinetoffice.gov.uk/social_exclusion_task_force/short_studies/aspirations.aspx

and *Getting on, getting ahead*, both from the Social Exclusion Task Force (SETF)

www.cabinetoffice.gov.uk/media/cabinetoffice/strategy/assets/socialmobility/gettingon.pdf

Ending child poverty

The *Ending Child Poverty: Making It Happen* consultation states the Government's intent to legislate in support of its pledge to eradicate child poverty by 2020, presenting options for duties and target setting. Building blocks including parental employment and skills, financial and material support, services to ensure the all aspects of children's well-being, decent homes and quality of services and space for play in neighbourhoods. There are assumptions that local authorities and their partners need to do more to give priority to tackling child poverty, to accelerate what is already being done and to ensure that these actions are embedded in economic development and community regeneration.

www.dcsf.gov.uk/consultations/index.cfm?action=consultationDetails&consultationId=1590&external=no&menu=1

Also published by DCSF: *Families in Britain: an evidence base*

<http://publications.dcsf.gov.uk/default.aspx?PageFunction=productdetails&PageMode=publications&ProductId=DCSF-01077-2008> and *Next Steps for Early Learning and Childcare*

<http://publications.everychildmatters.gov.uk/default.aspx?PageFunction=productdetails&PageMode=publication&ProductId=DCSF-00173-2009&>

Third Sector Action Plan

Real Help for Communities: Volunteers, Charities and Social Enterprises sets government proposals to support the further development of the Third Sector, in light of the recession. These include:

- a volunteer brokerage scheme for unemployed people to create over 40,000 opportunities to learn new skills and provide community benefits
- a Community Resilience Fund, with two elements
- grants to small and medium providers in localities most at risk of deprivation, especially services relating to the downturn (eg, debt advice, family breakdown, skills)
- extension of the National Programme for Third Sector Commissioning to develop stronger engagement between commissioners and smaller providers
- a modernisation fund to support collaboration, mergers and restructuring as routes to greater resilience and efficiency (access to grant and loan finance following a web-based diagnostic process)

www.cabinetoffice.gov.uk/third_sector/real_help_for_communities.aspx

Further context for change in the sector includes:

* Commissioning guidance from the Commission for the Compact

www.thecompact.org.uk/information/100019/103956/compact_commissioning_guidance_published/

* the National Audit Office report, *Building the capacity of the Third Sector* (on ChangeUp and Futurebuilders) – positive about some of the improvements but critical of a lack of evaluation evidence - www.nao.org.uk/publications/0809/building_the_capacity_of_the_t.aspx

* the report of the Third Sector Taskforce, *The Potential Role of the third sector in Welfare to Work reform* which sees opportunities for a fuller and stronger role for the sector. Its recommendations include: access to funding through a Social Investment Bank; up to £5m DWP to support existing work by prime contractors to strengthen capacity of potential third sector partners; and a national centre of contracting expertise to smoothe the contracting process between prime contractors and TSOs www.fullcostrecovery.org.uk/uploads/files/DWP%20taskforce%20Final%20Report.pdf

Information & Research for LAAs

Supporting local information and research: Understanding demand and improving capacity (CLG) reviews the main factors driving and inhibiting better use of data and evidence amongst local authorities and their partners and sets out recommendations for action at national, regional and local levels to improve access to data and use of evidence in decision-making.

makes the case for better use of analytical resources *within* partnerships and promotes action to address information, research and analysis support needs within the Third Sector. It also advocates a fuller role for Regional Improvement and Efficiency Partnerships in collaborating with analytical support resources in the region such as Regional Observatories in addressing critical improvement needs such as climate change and reducing worklessness.

www.communities.gov.uk/publications/communities/supportinglocalresearch

Responses to recession

The Credit Crunch and Regeneration: Impact and Implications

report for CLG on 'what has happened so far, what might happen, and who should do what about it'. It describes the impact of the credit crunch on property markets, and provides snapshots of impacts on regeneration projects, partners and different parts of the country. Policy messages tend to stress the critical role of the public sector and of partnership working: "the public sector has the physical resources if not so many regeneration skills, whereas the private sector has many of the skills but few of the resources". www.communities.gov.uk/publications/citiesandregions/creditchunchregeneration

No Council of Despair builds on IDeA's recession checklist in developing advice for local authorities on how to respond to the recession. The content is build round five themes: leading and

communicating a coherent local response; using this to shape a new world; gathering intelligence on the local impact; developing a local action plan; and responding to pressures on council finances and services. www.idea.gov.uk/idk/core/page.do?pagelD=9190749

Economy

Advice & guidance for employers and their workforces (LSC)

www.lsc.gov.uk/regions/WestMidlands/Publications/Latestdocuments/Detail.htm?id=4d153cbe-ac0a-44dd-97f9-d12b90a78780

Coping with the economic downturn (TUC) www.tuc.org.uk/extras/downturn.pdf

Facing redundancy (TUC) www.tuc.org.uk/extras/facingredundancy.pdf

Into Recession (Centre for Cities) www.centreforcities.org/intorecession

Managing the downturn and preparing for recovery (EHRC) www.here4business.net/

Recession Impacts on the Economies & Communities of Rural England 3 (CRC)

www.ruralcommunities.gov.uk/publications/recessionimpactsoneconomiesandcommunitiesofruralenglandreport3

Support West Midlands (responding to recession) (AWM) www.supportwm.co.uk/

Women and Recession (TUC) www.tuc.org.uk/economy/tuc-15872-f0.cfm

Working Futures 2007- 2017 (skills projections from UKCES – relevant to planning for recovery)

www.ukces.org.uk/Default.aspx?page=4685

Impact on local authorities

Crunch time? The impact of the economic downturn on local government finances (Audit

Commission) [www.audit-commission.gov.uk/reports/NATIONAL-](http://www.audit-commission.gov.uk/reports/NATIONAL-REPORT.asp?CategoryID=&ProdID=891AD844-E222-431C-804D-9C48C89A33E0)

[REPORT.asp?CategoryID=&ProdID=891AD844-E222-431C-804D-9C48C89A33E0](http://www.audit-commission.gov.uk/reports/NATIONAL-REPORT.asp?CategoryID=&ProdID=891AD844-E222-431C-804D-9C48C89A33E0)

Coping with the Credit Crunch (CIPFA Performance Improvement Network)

www.cipfanetworks.net/fileupload/upload/Credit%20Crunch%20Compendium161200971442.pdf

IEWM's own pages on Responding to Recession www.wmcoe.gov.uk/index.php?page=527

Local authorities & recession case studies www.idea.gov.uk/idk/core/page.do?pagelD=9215625

Turning the tide: Opportunities for public sector organisations in an economic downturn

(Deloitte) www.deloitte.com/dtt/cda/doc/content/UK_GPS_Turning_the_tide_v2.pdf

Impact on the voluntary sector

Backing communities: local solutions (LGA/NCVO) [www.lga.gov.uk/lga/publications/publication-](http://www.lga.gov.uk/lga/publications/publication-display.do?id=1568601)

[display.do?id=1568601](http://www.lga.gov.uk/lga/publications/publication-display.do?id=1568601)

Economic Downturn & VCS - evidence for summit (NCVO) [www.ncvo-](http://www.ncvo-vol.org.uk/research/index.asp?id=1195)

[vol.org.uk/research/index.asp?id=1195](http://www.ncvo-vol.org.uk/research/index.asp?id=1195)

Response to the OTS consultation on the economic downturn: Proposals for an Action Plan to

support the voluntary and community sector (NCVO) www.ncvo-vol.org.uk/policy/index.asp?id=12266

Surviving the Economic Downturn: Charity Guide (ACEVO)

[www.acevo.org.uk/captest/download_file.cfm?filename=ACEVO - Surviving the Economic Downturn -](http://www.acevo.org.uk/captest/download_file.cfm?filename=ACEVO_-_Surviving_the_Economic_Downturn_-_A_Charity_s_Guide.pdf)
[_A Charity s Guide.pdf](http://www.acevo.org.uk/captest/download_file.cfm?filename=ACEVO_-_Surviving_the_Economic_Downturn_-_A_Charity_s_Guide.pdf)

LAA/LSP Developments

CAA

* CAA Revised – final version for implementation in April 2009

www.audit-commission.gov.uk/caa/equalityimpactassessment.asp

* LGA on the day briefing www.lga.gov.uk/lga/core/page.do?pagelD=1592408

* reports on the trials, consultation, and research on public engagement in CAA development

www.audit-commission.gov.uk/caa/consultation.asp

* CSCI Performance assessment guide 2008

www.csci.org.uk/professional/councils/performance_assessment_handboo.aspx

* Assessing children's services and adult learning (Ofsted)

[www.ofsted.gov.uk/Ofsted-home/Forms-and-guidance/Browse-all-by/Other/General/Comprehensive-Area-](http://www.ofsted.gov.uk/Ofsted-home/Forms-and-guidance/Browse-all-by/Other/General/Comprehensive-Area-Assessment-assessing-children-s-services-and-adult-learning)
[Assessment-assessing-children-s-services-and-adult-learning](http://www.ofsted.gov.uk/Ofsted-home/Forms-and-guidance/Browse-all-by/Other/General/Comprehensive-Area-Assessment-assessing-children-s-services-and-adult-learning)

* Locality Self-Evaluation (IDeA) www.idea.gov.uk/idk/aio/9331690

* Self-evaluation stories www.idea.gov.uk/idk/core/page.do?pagelD=9393489

Commissioning for Place: report on LSP seminar with Brighton & Hove and Tower Hamlets &

discussion paper (CPSP) www.cpsp.bham.ac.uk/Home/DirectorsColumn/tabid/169/Default.aspx

Customer insight and LAAs: workshop exploring what esd-toolkit (IDeA) has to offer in support of LAAs www.esd.org.uk/forums/viewtopic.php?p=34238#34238 (registration required)

National Indicators: updated definitions

www.communities.gov.uk/publications/localgovernment/updatednidefinitions

The Places Handbook (GOs) – tools for performance improvement and challenge on delivery planning www.gos.gov.uk/placeshandbook/index.asp

Place Survey 2008-09 Manual (CLG) (January 2009 edition)

www.communities.gov.uk/publications/localgovernment/placesurveymanual0809

Other New Publications

Children and Young People

Activity Agreement Pilots Evaluation: Synthesis (agreements and incentives for young people in the most challenging circumstances) (DCSF)

www.dcsf.gov.uk/research/programmeofresearch/projectinformation.cfm?projectId=15604&resultspage=1

Apprenticeships, Skills, Children and Learning Bill 2008-09

<http://services.parliament.uk/bills/2008-09/apprenticeshipsskillschildrenandlearning.html>

Extended Schools Survey of Schools, Pupils and Parents: Quantitative study of perceptions and usage of extended services in schools ((DCSF)

<http://publications.dcsf.gov.uk/default.aspx?PageFunction=productdetails&PageMode=publications&ProductId=DCSF-RR068&>

Impact of Parental Involvement on Children's Education (DCSF)

www.dcsf.gov.uk/research/programmeofresearch/projectinformation.cfm?projectId=15609&type=5&resultspage=31

Increasing Participation: Understanding young people who do not participate in education or training at 16 or 17 (DCSF)

<http://publications.dcsf.gov.uk/default.aspx?PageFunction=productdetails&PageMode=publications&ProductId=DCSF-RR072&>

Local Index of Child Well-Being (University of York) <http://php.york.ac.uk/inst/spru/pubs/1158/>

Narrowing the gap in outcomes: further overview of data and evidence on the ECM outcomes for vulnerable groups (NFER)

www.nfer.ac.uk/publications/pdfs/downloadable/NtGreportECM.pdf

National Survey of Parents and Children - Family Life, Aspirations and Engagement with Learning 2008 (DCSF)

www.dcsf.gov.uk/research/programmeofresearch/projectinformation.cfm?projectId=15249&type=5&resultspage=31

Targeted youth support: rapid evidence assessment of effective early interventions for youth at risk of future poor outcomes (EPPI-centre)

<http://eppi.ioe.ac.uk/cms/LinkClick.aspx?fileticket=X0ohABEth04%3d&tabid=2417&mid=4475&language=en-US>

Community Safety

Crime Mapping: Improving Performance (Home Office)

http://police.homeoffice.gov.uk/publications/performance-and-measurement/crime_mapping_1.pdf

Lessons Learned from Domestic Violence Enforcement Campaigns (Home Office)

www.homeoffice.gov.uk/documents/Domestic-Violence-10731.pdf?view=Binary

Impact of Alcohol Consumption On Young People: Systematic Review (DCSF)

www.dcsf.gov.uk/research/programmeofresearch/projectinformation.cfm?projectId=15405&type=5&resultspage=11

Raising public confidence and satisfaction on crime (LGA conference)

www.lga.gov.uk/lga/core/page.do?pagelid=1538901

Tired of hanging around: Using sport and leisure activities to prevent anti-social behaviour by young people (Audit Commission) www.audit-commission.gov.uk/hangingaround/

Young People and Alcohol Guidance - e-consultations (DCSF)

www.dcsf.gov.uk/consultations/index.cfm?action=consultationDetails&consultationId=1579&external=no&menu=1

Community Empowerment

Civic Pioneers Case Study Review (CLG)

www.communities.gov.uk/publications/communities/civicpioneersreview

Improving local accountability consultation: Government response (Communities in Control White Paper) www.communities.gov.uk/publications/localgovernment/govresponselocalaccountability

Inter-faith and faith group survey (LGA) www.lga.gov.uk/lga/core/page.do?pagelid=1094969

Structures for community development in local authorities (CDF)

http://www.cdf.org.uk/SITE/UPLOAD/DOCUMENT/practice%20links/CD_and_local_authorities.pdf

Economic Development, Skills & Worklessness

Back to business: local solutions (LGA/BCC) www.lga.gov.uk/lga/publications/publication-display.do?id=1485295

Driving economic prosperity: benchmark & diagnostic for local authorities (IDeA)

www.idea.gov.uk/idk/core/page.do?pagelid=9325114

Digital Britain: Interim Report (DCMS) www.culture.gov.uk/reference_library/publications/5786.aspx

In-work poverty: systematic review (DWP)

www.dwp.gov.uk/asd/asd5/report_abstracts/rr_abstracts/rra_549.asp

LEGI update report (CLG) www.communities.gov.uk/publications/communities/legiupdate

LEGI: National Baseline: final report (CLG)

www.communities.gov.uk/publications/communities/legibaselinereport

+ summary www.communities.gov.uk/publications/communities/legibaselinesummary

Local Economic Assessments (Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Bill policy statement) www.communities.gov.uk/publications/citiesandregions/ldedceconomicassessments

Making procurement opportunities work for the region – East Midlands consultation (emda)

www.emda.org.uk/businesssupport/procurement-plan.asp

Pathways to Work from incapacity benefits: study of referral practices and liaison between Jobcentre Plus advisers and service providers (DWP)

www.dwp.gov.uk/asd/asd5/report_abstracts/rr_abstracts/rra_555.asp

Procuring for innovation, innovation for procurement (DIUS)

www.dius.gov.uk/policy/documents/Innovation%20Procurement%20Plans.pdf

Raising the Bar: Driving Local Authority and Private Sector Engagement

www.britishchambers.org.uk/6798219245895826858/reports.html

Skills for Life: Progress in Improving Adult Literacy and Numeracy (Public Accounts Committee) www.publications.parliament.uk/pa/cm/cmpublic.htm

The Skills Paradox: confronting inequality in adult learning (Demos)

www.demos.co.uk/publications/theskillsparadox

Tackling Worklessness: a toolkit (Chartered Institute of Housing) www.cih.org/worklessness/

Welfare Reform Bill <http://services.parliament.uk/bills/2008-09/welfarereform.html>

Working Neighbourhoods Fund 2009-2011: Revising the Third Criterion consultation - Government Response www.communities.gov.uk/publications/communities/wnf200911consultationresponse

Workless in 2009: helping people and communities respond (conference papers)

www.cesi.org.uk/events/past_events/workless_in_2009.htm

Equality, Diversity & Cohesion

Delivering Prevent: Responding to Learning (CLG)

www.communities.gov.uk/publications/communities/deliveringprevent

EHRC Three-year Equality Scheme, Strategic Plan and Grants Scheme consultation

<http://equalityhumanrights.dialoguebydesign.net/default.asp>

Empowering Birmingham's migrant and refugee community organisations (JRF)

www.jrf.org.uk/publications/migrant-refugee-community-organisations

Gender and access to health services study: final report (DH)

www.dh.gov.uk/en/Publicationsandstatistics/Publications/PublicationsPolicyAndGuidance/DH_092042

Guidance on building a local sense of belonging (CLG)

www.communities.gov.uk/publications/communities/senseofbelonging

Guidance on meaningful interaction: How encouraging positive relationships between people can help build community cohesion (CLG)

www.communities.gov.uk/publications/communities/meaningfulinteraction

Potential of migrant and refugee community organisations to influence policy (JRF)

www.jrf.org.uk/publications/migrant-refugee-community-organisations-influence

Race Equality Advisory Group: A five-year review (CLG)

www.communities.gov.uk/publications/communities/reagreview

Resource guide on local migration statistics (LGA) www.lga.gov.uk/lga/publications/publication-display.do?id=1308025

Review of Equality Statistics (EHRC)

www.equalityhumanrights.com/en/publicationsandresources/Pages/Reviewofequalitystatistics.aspx

Sources of resentment, and perceptions of ethnic minorities among poor white people

(CLG) www.communities.gov.uk/publications/communities/sourcesresentment

West Midlands Race Equality Advisory Board Policy Roadshow

www.wmreab.org.uk/?page_id=370

Health & Care

Commissioning and behaviour change (Kicking Bad Habits final report) (King's Fund)

www.kingsfund.org.uk/publications/the_kings_fund_publications/kbh_final_report.html

Common Assessment Framework for Adults: A consultation on proposals to improve information sharing around multi-disciplinary assessment and care planning (DH)

www.dh.gov.uk/en/Consultations/Liveconsultations/DH_093438

Health Bill <http://services.parliament.uk/bills/2008-09/health.html>

Health Profile of England 2008 (DH)

www.dh.gov.uk/en/Publicationsandstatistics/Publications/PublicationsStatistics/DH_093465

Health and Safety of Great Britain: Be part of the solution (HSE strategy consultation)

www.hse.gov.uk/strategy/strategy.pdf

Healthy lives, brighter futures: strategy for children and young people's health

http://www.dh.gov.uk/en/Publicationsandstatistics/Publications/PublicationsPolicyAndGuidance/DH_094400

Independent Review of Older People's Engagement with Government: report and government response (DWP) www.dwp.gov.uk/resourcecentre/ind_review_older_peoples_eng_with_govt.asp

LinkAge Plus: Benefits for older people (DWP)

www.dwp.gov.uk/asd/asd5/report_abstracts/rr_abstracts/rra_554.asp

NHS Next Stage Review (Health Select Committee)

www.publications.parliament.uk/pa/cm/cmhealth.htm

NHS Next Stage Review: what it means for the Third Sector

www.dh.gov.uk/en/Publicationsandstatistics/Publications/PublicationsPolicyAndGuidance/DH_091821

NHS Constitution www.dh.gov.uk/en/Healthcare/NHSConstitution/index.htm

Personal health budgets: first steps (DH)

www.dh.gov.uk/en/Publicationsandstatistics/Publications/PublicationsPolicyAndGuidance/DH_093842

State of social care in England 2007-08 (CSCI)

www.csci.org.uk/about_us/publications/state_of_social_care_08.aspx

Supporting people with long term conditions: commissioning personalised care planning - a guide for commissioners (DH)

www.dh.gov.uk/en/Publicationsandstatistics/Publications/PublicationsPolicyAndGuidance/DH_093354

Transforming community services: enabling new patterns of provision (DH)

www.dh.gov.uk/en/Publicationsandstatistics/Publications/PublicationsPolicyAndGuidance/DH_093197

Valuing people now (DH) * three-year strategy for people with learning disabilities (DH)

www.dh.gov.uk/en/Publicationsandstatistics/Publications/PublicationsPolicyAndGuidance/DH_093377

* Delivery plan

www.dh.gov.uk/en/Publicationsandstatistics/Publications/PublicationsPolicyAndGuidance/DH_093378

Housing

Future delivery of housing support (LGA/ADASS/CLG/DH conference)

www.lga.gov.uk/lga/core/page.do?pagelid=1509807

Measuring Housing Affordability: A Review of Data Sources (CLG)

www.communities.gov.uk/nhpau/keypublications/research/measuringhousingaffordability/

Local & regional government

Counting Cumbria (mapping public expenditure - Cumbria Strategic Partnership)

www.cumbriastrategicpartnership.org.uk/elibrary/view.asp?id=27534

Customer Insight Working Group - reviewing this year and planning next year (esd-toolkit)

www.esd.org.uk/suppliers/News/NewsDetail.aspx?Item=523

Generating Social Innovation: How to innovate: the tools for social innovation (Young

Foundation) www.youngfoundation.org.uk/research/news/generating-social-innovation-how-innovate-tools-social-innovation

Giving councillors the tools for the job (IDeA) www.idea.gov.uk/idk/core/page.do?pagelid=9109742

Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Bill policy documents:

* Policy Document on Regional Strategies

www.communities.gov.uk/publications/citiesandregions/ldedcregionalstrategies

* Options for Sub-Regional Cooperation

www.communities.gov.uk/publications/citiesandregions/ldedcsubregionalcoop

Receding Tide: Understanding unmet needs in a harsher economic climate (Young

Foundation) www.youngfoundation.org.uk/mapping-needs/news/receding-tide-understanding-unmet-needs-a-harsher-economic-climate

Neighbourhood renewal & social exclusion

Analysing change over time for small areas (ONS NeSS)

<http://neighbourhood.statistics.gov.uk/dissemination/Info.do;jsessionid=ac1f930cce596af8f2847364c83babcd6aa52bbe989?m=0&s=1230895214427&enc=1&page=analysisandguidance/analysisarticles/change-over-time---guidance.htm&nsjs=true&nsck=true&nssvg=false&nswid=1152>

National Association for Neighbourhood Management: event presentations

* Community safety and satisfaction (Action Team report)

www.neighbourhoodmanagement.net/downloads/publications/Community%20safety%20outcome%20report.pdf

* Making the links with health services

www.neighbourhoodmanagement.net/downloads/eventbriefings/presentations.pdf

* Tackling Worklessness: A Pivotal Role for Neighbourhood Management?

www.neighbourhoodmanagement.net/downloads/eventbriefings/presentation%20links.pdf

Tracking Neighbourhoods: The Economic Deprivation Index 2008 (CLG)

<http://www.communities.gov.uk/publications/communities/trackingneighbourhoods2008>

Planning, Transport & Sustainable Development

Building a low-carbon economy – The UK's contribution to tackling climate change (Committee on Climate Change) <http://hmccc.s3.amazonaws.com/pdf/TSO-ClimateChange.pdf>

Carbon Emissions Reduction Target 2008-2011: consultation on amendments (DECC)

<http://decc.gov.uk/consultations/cert.html>

Climate Change (Sectoral Targets) Bill <http://services.parliament.uk/bills/2008-09/climatechangesectoraltargets.html>

Closing the Mitigation Gap (IPPR) www.ippr.org/publicationsandreports/publication.asp?id=638

Community Energy Saving Programme consultation (DECC)

<http://www.decc.gov.uk/consultations/cesp.html>

Creating green jobs: developing low-carbon economies (LGA)

www.lga.gov.uk/lga/publications/publication-display.do?id=1509490

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Exploring public attitudes to climate change and travel choices: deliberative research (DfT) www.dft.gov.uk/pgr/scienceresearch/social/climatechange/

Footprint results for Local Authorities (Stockholm Environment Institute) www.resource-accounting.org.uk/downloads/general-footprint-report.pdf

Heat and Energy Saving Strategy consultation <http://www.decc.gov.uk/consultations/hes.html>

In the eye of the storm: councils at the heart of tackling climate change (LGA) www.lga.gov.uk/lga/core/page.do?pagelid=1509851

Low Carbon - Evidence of Success (AWM) www.advantagewm.co.uk/Images/Low%20Carbon%20-%20Evidence%20of%20Success_tcm9-16668.pdf

NHS Carbon Footprint www.sdu.nhs.uk/page.php?page_id=93

NHS Carbon Reduction Strategy for England www.sdu.nhs.uk/page.php?area_id=2 & Resource Pack www.sdu.nhs.uk/page.php?page_id=92

OECD on 'Climate Change Mitigation: What do we do?' www.oecd.org/dataoecd/31/55/41751042.pdf and other recent work www.oecd.org/dataoecd/60/40/41810213.pdf

Planning and Climate Change: Practice guidance to support the Planning Policy Statement (HCA Academy) www.hcaacademy.co.uk/planning-and-climate-change

Regional Transport Priorities Action Plan (AWM) www.advantagewm.co.uk/working-with-us/transport_challenge.aspx

Sustainable Energy Benchmark and Toolkit (IDeA) www.idea.gov.uk/idk/core/page.do?pagelid=8783769

Tackling climate change, reducing poverty (first report of the Roundtable on Climate Change and Poverty in the UK) www.oxfam.org.uk/resources/policy/climate_change/downloads/tackling_climate_reducing_poverty_uk.pdf

Travel choices and needs of low income households: the role of the car (DfT) www.dft.gov.uk/pgr/scienceresearch/social/theroleofthecar/

Warm Front Scheme (NAO) www.nao.org.uk/publications/0809/the_warm_front_scheme.aspx

Rural

Potential of England's rural economy (report of the Rural Advocate)

* Government Response www.defra.gov.uk/rural/pdfs/voice/rural-advocate-response.pdf - also:

* Environment, Food and Rural Affairs Committee report

www.publications.parliament.uk/pa/cm200809/cmselect/cmenvfru/155/15502.htm

Voluntary and Community Sector

Collaboration without borders (NCVO) www.ncvo-vol.org.uk/publications/publication.asp?id=12532

Data use in voluntary and community organisations (JRF) www.jrf.org.uk/publications/data-use-voluntary-community

State of the Sector Panel Survey (OTS)

www.cabinetoffice.gov.uk/third_sector/research_and_statistics/third_sector_research/state_of_sector.aspx

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