

Eastern Area Health Improvement Plan 2005/08



Investing for Health Partnership
in the Eastern Area



Foreword

The Health Improvement Plan takes forward the Investing for Health Strategy for the Eastern Area for 2005/08, with special reference to 2005/06.

The Health Improvement Planning process, allows a wide range of Partners to develop collaborative approaches to help deliver a complex strategy, one that addresses the determinants of health, with the intention of bringing about health and well-being improvement and reducing inequalities. The relevance to health of the strategic and day-to-day work of individual organisations, local communities and collectives of Partners can be demonstrated and meshed together to add value.

The Plan is presented at the Eastern Area level with a summary of action also for each of the four Localities in the area. It is the intention that a fuller version in relation to each of the Localities is produced in the early autumn of 2005.

The Health Improvement Plan is presented using 'Mind Map' diagrams, each representing a key aspect of our approach to implementing the Strategy.

The convention as regards interpreting Mind Maps is that each should be read clockwise starting top right.

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Supporting Infrastructure

- Wellnet website
- Publichealthmatters website
- NINIS Website
- 'Memorandums of Understanding'

IfH Partnership Investment Themes

- Across Goals/ Objectives
 - Community Development
 - Training
 - Peer Education/Mentoring
 - Supporting vulnerable good practice
 - Integrated Planning
- Within Goals/Objectives
 - Developing/implementing strategies
 - Communities of Interest

Partners

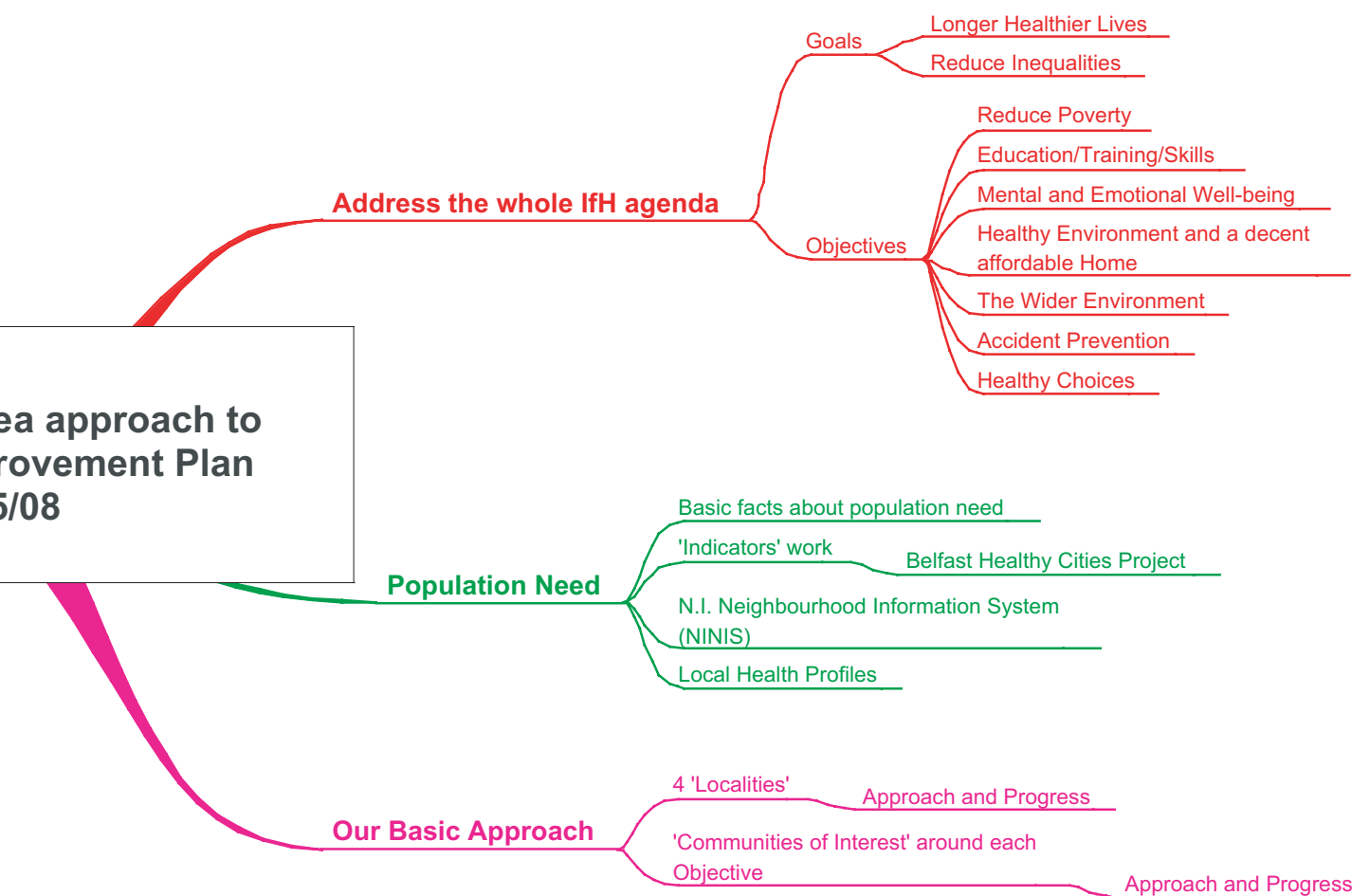
- Community
- Voluntary
- Statutory
- Existing Related Partnerships

Other Strategic Drivers

- DHSSPS Regional 20 year Strategy
- Anti Poverty Strategy
- Physical Disability Strategy
- Mental Health Promotion Strategy
- Strategy for Children and Young People
- Sure Start
- Teenage Parenthood and Pregnancy Strategy
- Essential Skills for Living Strategy
- Curriculum Development
- Housing and Health
- Home Energy Efficiency Conservation Strategy
- Fuel Poverty Strategy
- Regional Development Strategy
- Air Quality Management Strategy
- Neighbourhood Renewal
- Community Safety
- Transport Strategy
- Local Agenda 21
- Health and Safety Strategy
- N.I.Home accident Strategy
- Road Safety Strategy
- Tobacco Control Action Plan
- Drugs and Alcohol Strategy
- Physical Activity Strategy
- Health Promoting Hospitals
- Mainstreaming Community Development
- Positive Steps
- Sustainability Strategy⁴
- Healthy Cities Movement

The Eastern Area
the Health Improvement
2005

Health Improvement



The Eastern Area approach to the Health Improvement Plan

The Investing for Health Strategy has **2 Goals and 7 Objectives** and there is a Mind Map relating to each of these. Where necessary a short supplementary narrative accompanies the Mind Maps.

Goal 1:

To improve the health of our people by increasing the length of their lives and increasing the number of years they spend free from disease, illness and disability.

Goal 2:

To reduce the inequalities in health between geographic areas, socio-economic and minority groups.

Objective 1:

To reduce poverty in families with children.

Objective 2:

To enable all people and young people in particular, to develop the skills and attitudes that will give them the capacity to reach their full potential.

Objective 3:

To promote mental health and emotional well-being at individual and community levels.

Objective 4:

To offer everyone the opportunity to live and work in a healthy environment and live in a decent affordable home.

Objective 5:

To improve our neighbourhoods and wider environment.

Objective 6:

To reduce accidental injuries and deaths in the home, workplace and on the road.

Objective 7:

To enable people to make healthier lifestyle choices.

The essential facts about current **Population need** in the Eastern area is summarised in one Mind Map – The Eastern Board Profile.

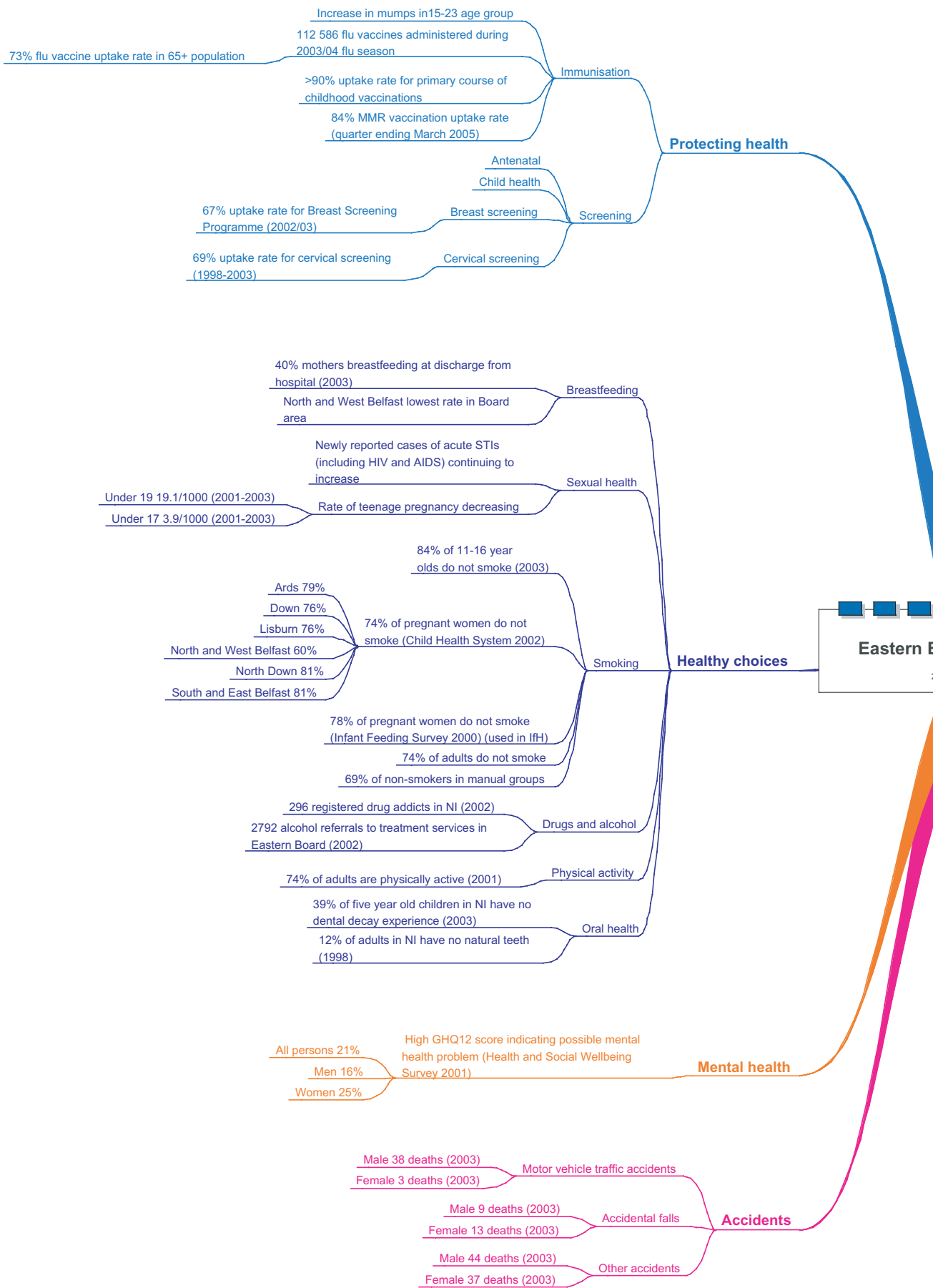
The Eastern Area has adopted an approach which is based around **4 Localities- Down Lisburn, North Down and Ards, North and West Belfast and South and East Belfast and Castlereagh and ‘Communities of Interest’ relating to each of the Objectives**. The approach being adopted and tailored to the circumstances in each of the 4 Localities is summarised in the 4 Locality Mind Maps.

The IfH Strategy is related to a variety of **other Strategies** each of which helps to deliver one or more of the IfH Objectives. Implementation of each of the Strategies is the responsibility of at least one Government Department.

The IfH Partnership is comprised of a wide range of **Statutory, Voluntary and Community Partners**, at both area and local levels – shown in more detail on the relevant Mind Maps.

It has been possible to have **investment** in both 2004/05 and 2005/06 which is being directed to IfH Objectives. Investment Mind Maps relating to each of the years are provided.

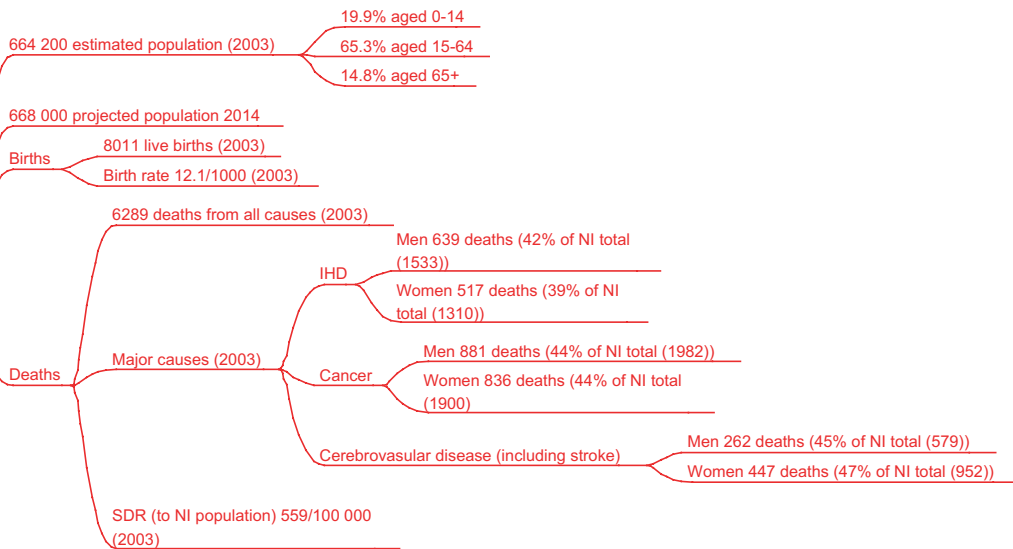
The IfH partnership and Health Improvement Planning process are supported by elements of **infrastructure** – the ‘Wellnet’ website, publichealthmatters website and the Northern Ireland Neighbourhood Information (NINIS) website. We also have a wide variety of ‘Memorandums of Understanding’ (‘MoUs’) between individual organisations or existing Partnerships and the Eastern Area Wellnet Partnership (the name for our Eastern Area IfH Partnership). These elements of infrastructure aid communication, help clarify roles, promote collaboration and help build commitment to the health and well-being agenda.



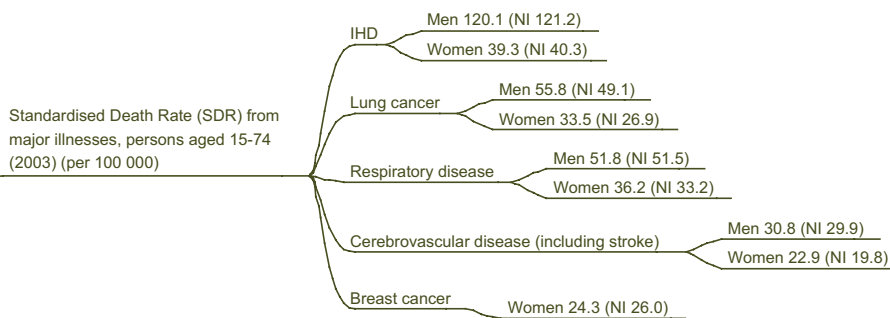
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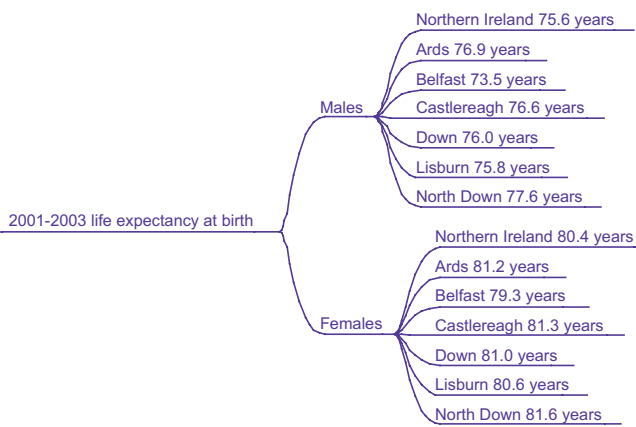
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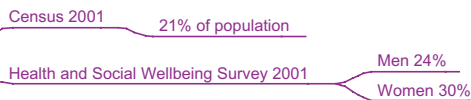
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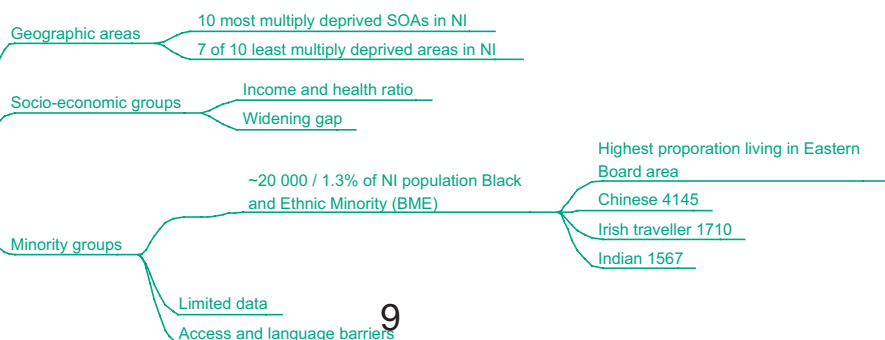
Life expectancy



Limiting long-term illness



Inequalities



Eastern Board profile

Death Rates for all causes continue to fall. Ischaemic Heart Disease continues to be the biggest cause of death in the Eastern Board area. The death rate from lung cancer in men has fallen considerably in the last decade, while the death rate in women has remained static. This in part reflects the smoking habits of previous decades and the trend is likely to continue for some time to come.

Life expectancy in the Eastern Board area has increased dramatically since the beginning of the last century. The Eastern Board area contains areas of great variance. Within Belfast, for example, estimated life expectancy differs significantly between different parts of the city. Life expectancy in North Down district council area already exceeds the Priorities for Action 2008 target for both men and women.

The 2001 Census established that 21% of people living in the Eastern Board area had a limiting long-term illness, slightly higher than the Northern Ireland average of 20%. Belfast, however, showed a significant proportion of 24% of people having a limiting long-term illness. The Health and Social Wellbeing Survey in 2001 found that 24% of men and 30% of women aged 16+ reported to have a limiting longstanding illness.

Using the Noble Deprivation Measure of multiple deprivation, the three of the four least deprived and the four most deprived Super Output Areas (SOA) in Northern Ireland are in the Eastern Board area.

The Institute of Public Health in Ireland's *Inequalities in Perceived Public Health* report found that, people with the lowest income are half as likely as those with the highest income to be very satisfied with their health or have a very good quality of life.

Data on the incidences of diseases among black and ethnic minority groups (BME) groups is limited.

In the Eastern Board area, accidents represent almost 5% of the total deaths. One in four accidental deaths is due to motor vehicle accidents.

The Health and Social Well Being Survey shows that people in Northern Ireland are at greater risk of mental ill health than people in England and Scotland. Of people aged over 16, 21% showed signs of possible mental illness by scoring highly on the GHQ12.

Key sources:

Health and Social Wellbeing Survey (2001), Northern Ireland Statistics and Research Agency (NISRA)

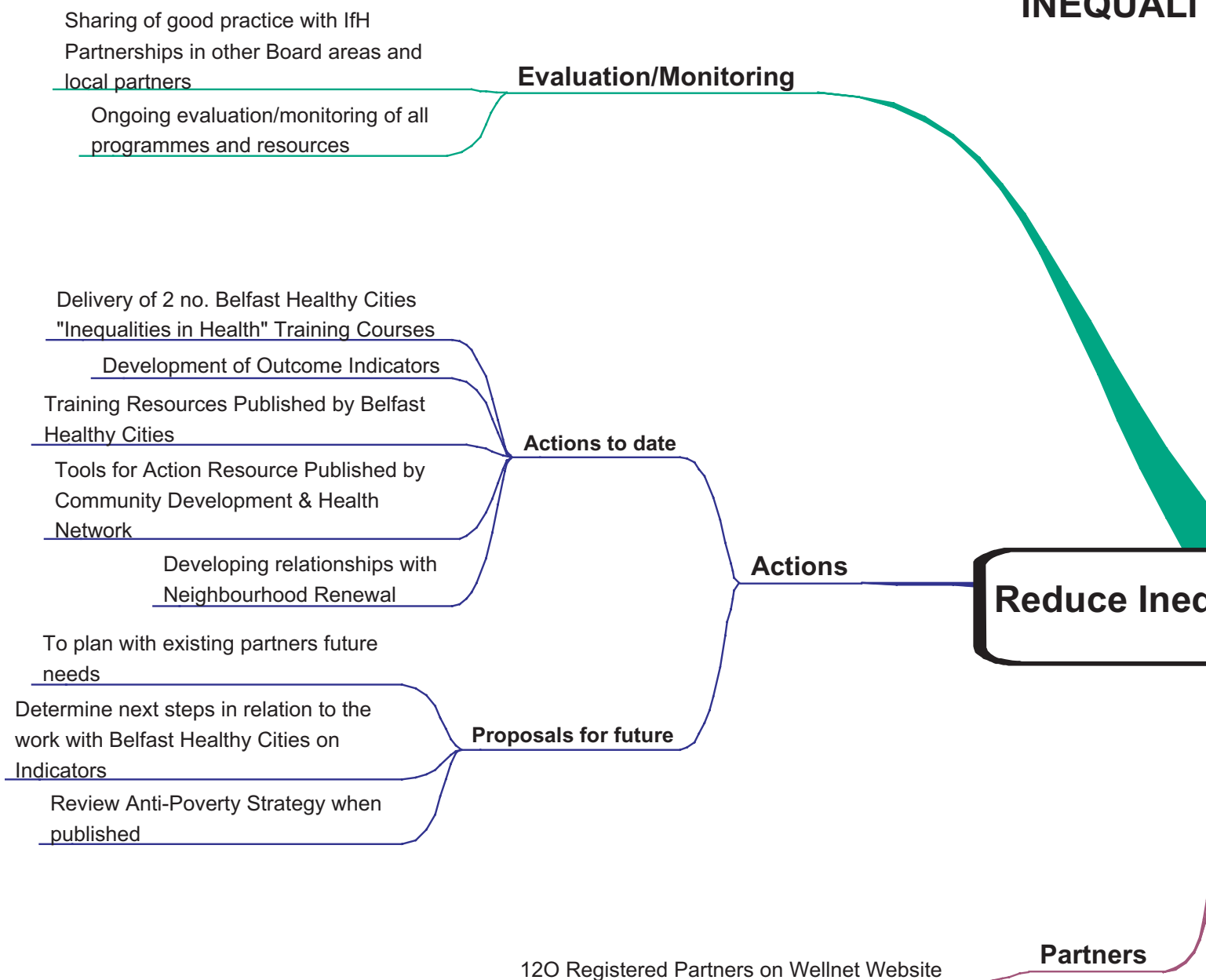
Northern Ireland Census (2001), NISRA

Registrar General Quarterly Reports, NISRA

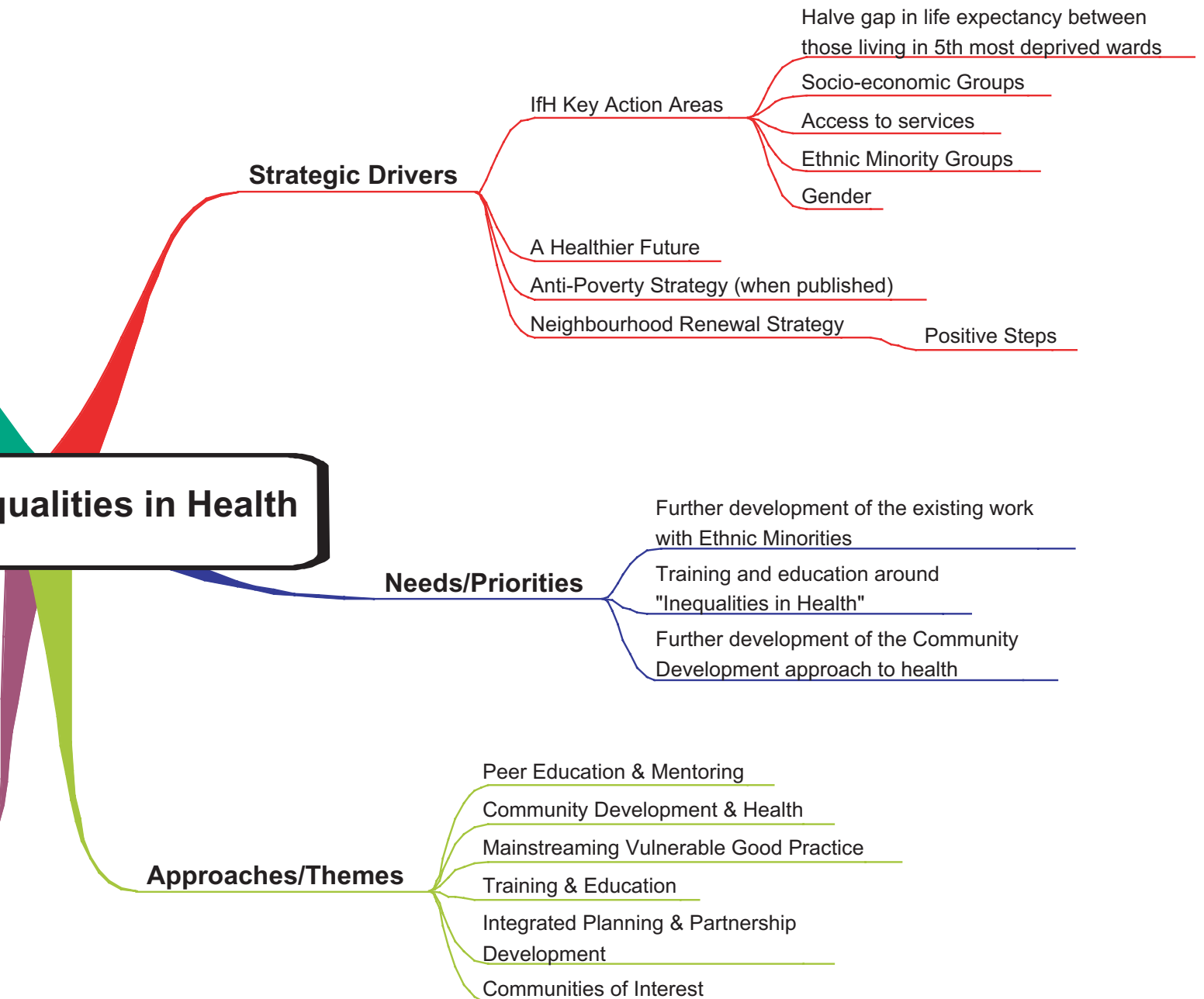
Available from www.nisra.gov.uk

Information on the Eastern Board is available on www.publichealthmatters.org

GOAL 2 - INEQUALITY



REDUCE INEQUALITIES IN HEALTH



Health Improvement Plan Review and Forward Plan 2005/06 Eastern Area Goal 2 – Reduce Inequalities in Health

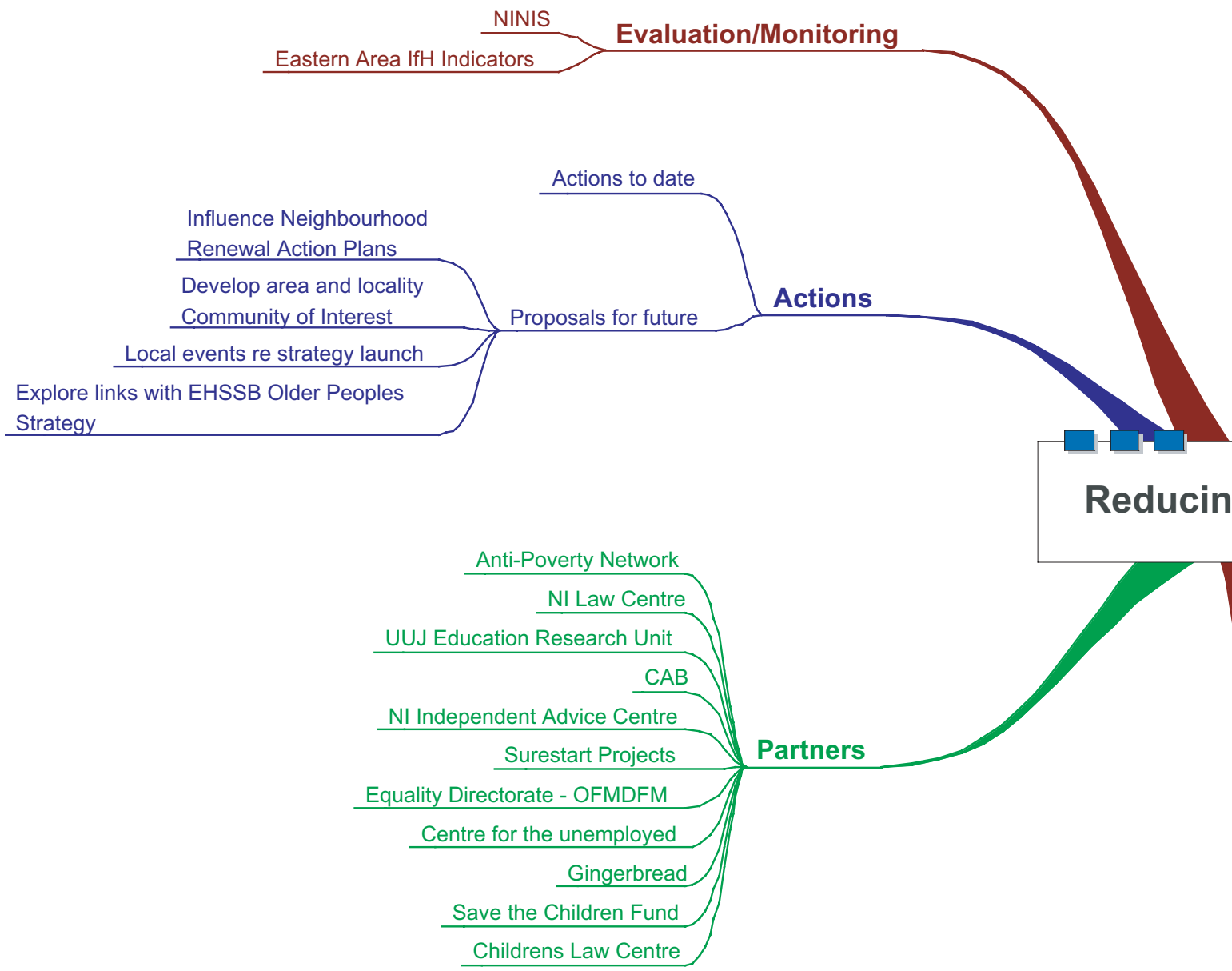
Strategic context/ in drivers:	The key strategic driver is the Investing for Health Strategy its role to act as a connector across all sectors, to enable joined up working to happen. In aiming to reduce inequalities in health, the Eastern Area Investing for Health Partnership is connecting specifically to the action associated with – neighbourhood renewal, the anti-poverty strategy, new TSN and ‘A Healthier Future’.
Key themes:	The focus is the inequalities work directed through four key themes in IFH which are socio-economic groups, access, ethnic minority groups and gender.
Partners:	All Wellnet partners are involved in contributing to the attainment of this goal. The rationale being that activity undertaken to address any one or more of the IFH 7 objectives will directly relate to the two Goals. Specific partners commissioned to deliver programmes to strengthen the capacity to address inequalities in health are Belfast Healthy Cities and the Community Development and Health Network (CDHN).
Investment sources:	Investments deployed so far have commissioned: - At Eastern Area level: <ul style="list-style-type: none">◆ Inequalities in health training programme◆ Programme support from CDHN◆ Tools for Action resource◆ Indicators work led by Belfast Healthy Cities At Locality level: <ul style="list-style-type: none">◆ A number of Development Workers (Health and Wellbeing)◆ A wide range of funded initiatives targeted to address specific local needs e.g. work with ethnic minority communities
Actions to date:	Belfast Healthy Cities have delivered 2 inequalities programmes working with participants representing the community, voluntary and statutory sectors (approx 50 people). At local level the Development Workers’ have been

working to identify local needs and develop action plans to address the priorities.

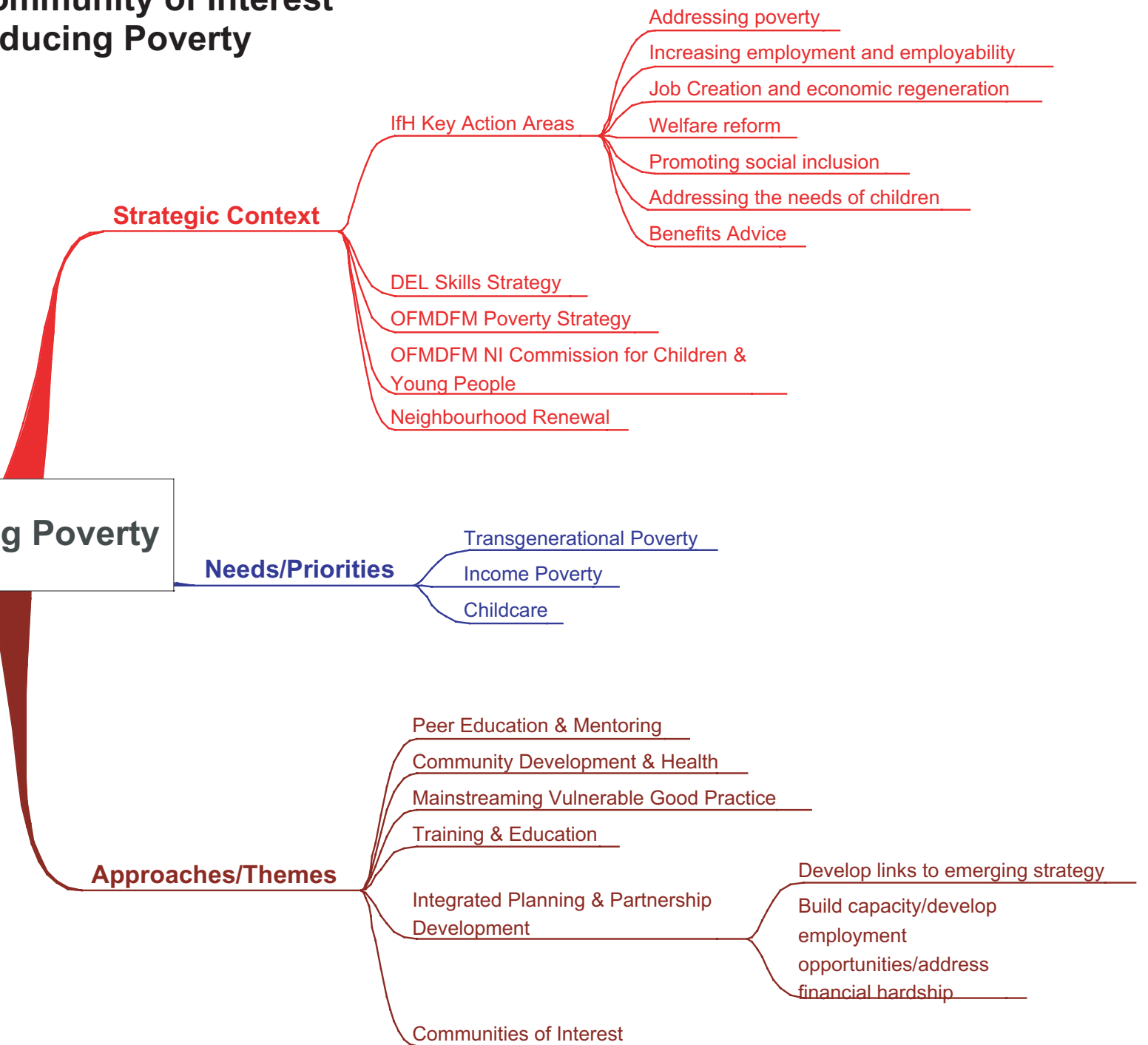
Future actions:

- ◆ Work across the Eastern Area partnership will continue to consolidate existing programmes and to plan with partners the action required to share the learning and adapt the programmes to meet the needs at area and local level. The work will concentrate on action arising from the Anti-Poverty Strategy when it is finalised and on the Action Plans emanating from the Neighbourhood Renewal Partnership process. We will also continue to build capacity for recognising and working to reduce health inequalities through the multi-agency and community training that has been supported by IfH and delivered by Partners.

Eastern Area Co Objective 1 - Re



Community of Interest Reducing Poverty



Health Improvement Plan Review and Forward Plan 2005/06 Eastern Area Objective 1 –Tackling Poverty and Social Exclusion

Strategic Context/drivers: Poverty, low income and unemployment have clear negative impacts on people's health and well-being. In recognition of the related effects of poverty on children's capacity to thrive and succeed to their full potential the Investing for Health Strategy emphasises the need to focus on reducing the levels and effects of poverty in families with children. The central and key Government Strategy on the theme of Poverty is due for Publication in October 2005 and will be called the Northern Ireland Anti-Poverty Strategy. The lead Department is OFMDFM and it is anticipated this Strategy will represent a framework for addressing poverty reduction.

The Eastern Area Investing for Health Partners are keen to utilise this Strategic framework in order to develop further actions on this theme within the Eastern Area. Related and complementary Strategies include DEL's Skills Strategy, OFMDFM Children's and Young Persons Strategy, and DSD Neighbourhood Renewal Strategy.

Key themes: The Eastern Area Investing for Health Partnership supports the proposed strategic objective of the Draft Northern Ireland Anti-Poverty Strategy which is 'to improve income and living conditions for the most disadvantaged'. The Partnership is interested in exploring how, in addition to current early years initiatives such as Sure start, it can work with local Partners, to effect progress on Government's target to eliminate child poverty by 2020.

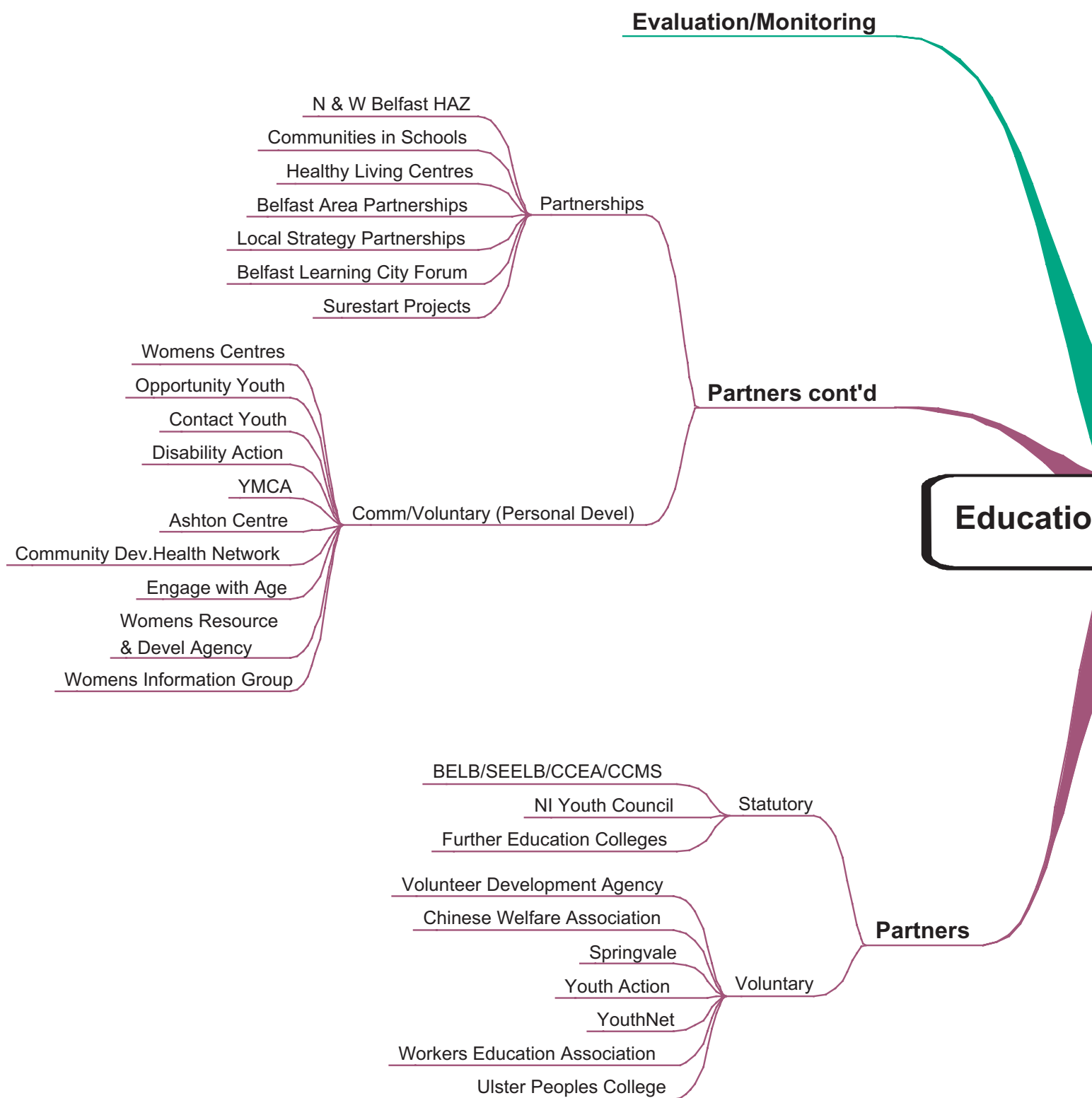
The 3 key Priorities of the Draft Poverty Strategy propose a focus on building capacity to participate in the labour market; increasing employment opportunities and reducing barriers to employment and dealing with financial hardship. The Eastern Area Investing for Health Partnership will aim to work with Partners to develop actions consistent with these priorities.

The EHSSB has been developing an Older Peoples Strategy and has engaged with Older people and advocate organisations in this process. One of the key issues to emerge relates to low income of large numbers of Older

people and the need for a greater focus on trans-generational poverty.

- Partners:** A full range of partners from the Government Departments, voluntary, community, statutory and business sectors are required to engage in this challenging theme. To date NI Anti-Poverty Network, East Belfast Independent Advice Centre, various Eastern Area Sure start Projects, District Councils and Local Strategic and Area Partnership Boards are registered as Members of the Eastern Area Wellnet Partnership and will be facilitated to meet within 2005/06 to explore local action.
- Investment sources:** These will vary with the work around the key themes. No indication has been given on whether a budget will be assigned to the emerging NI Anti-Poverty Strategy.
- Actions to date:** Investment has been made by the Eastern Area IFH Partnership in order to ensure organisations have been able to test income maximisation, particularly with families with support needs. East Belfast Independent Advice Centre for example, following financial support for 1 Year for a Project worker, were able to demonstrate the procurement of an additional £184,000 of welfare entitlement for clients.
- Future actions:**
- Developing a relationship with OFMDFM on the emerging Anti-Poverty Strategy to raise the understanding in Eastern Area.
 - Inform the Strategic Development and Implementation of Neighbourhood Renewal through liaison with DSD and the Expert Working Group
 - Further recruitment of Key Stakeholder Organisations who have the expertise and capacity to inform the development of required actions within the Eastern Area and the 4 Localities. e.g. NICVA, Law Centre NI, CAB, NI Independent Advice Centre
 - Launch of the Poverty Community of Interest following the release of OFMDFM Anti-Poverty Strategy

The development and implementation of 4 Locality action plans for addressing action on the poverty objective.



Interest Objective 2 - Learning/Skills

Learning/Training/Skills

Strategic Drivers

IfH Key Action Areas

- Education and Learning
- Adult Literacy and Numeracy
- Pre-school Learning and Surestart
- Library Services
- Participation in cultural, arts and leisure activities

Dept. of Employment and Learning

- Lifelong Learning
- Essential Skills for Learning
- Further Education Means Business
- Pathways to Work
- Adult Literacy and Numeracy

Dept. of Education

- Youth Service Review- A Youth Service for a New Millenium
- Inclusion of Children with Disabilities in Mainstream Education
- New Curriculum (Broad Learning)
- Education Action Zones

Needs/Priorities

- Educaturel underachievement
- Increasing skills for world of work
- Literacy/Numeracy
- Peer Education/Mentoring Models

Eastern Area IfH Approaches

- Peer Education & Mentoring
- Community Development & Health
- Mainstreaming Vulnerable Good Practice
- Training & Education
- Integrated Planning & Partnership Development
- Communities of Interest

Actions

Actions to date

Launch of Community of Interest

Proposals for future

- locality community of Interest
- Joint Strategic Planning with Children and Young Peoples Committee
- Investment in peer education/mentoring models

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Eastern Area Objective 2 – Lifeskills/Educational Attainment and Training

Strategic Context

A variety of Government Departments and Agencies play key roles in this agenda and play these roles alongside voluntary and community groups, parents and carers and young people.

Education Action Zones are due for announcement in late 2005. Other Dept of Education policies include the 'New Core Stage 4 Curriculum', Youth Service Review and Inclusion of children with disabilities in mainstream education.

From the Department of Employment and Learning; 'Lifelong Learning', 'Essential Skills for Learning', Pathways to Work' and NI 'Literacy and Numeracy' Strategy are the main strategic drivers.

OFMDFM have recently produced a Children and Young Persons Strategy.

The EHSSB also lead the Children and Young Persons Committee which develops action on Children's' services planning. Within the HPSS, there is a strong historic focus on children in need and latterly there has been a developing emphasis on the educational attainment of children in care and better support for children leaving care.

Approach

The Eastern Area IFH Partnership approach involves supporting action and investment based on the 5 outlined themes which have been identified to help us build capacity across the IfH agenda. In addition partners will be brought together on a Locality basis as an Objective 2 Community of Interest in order to develop actions as required.

Partners

An extensive range of partners from the statutory, voluntary and community sector are involved both at area and locality level. Those Organisations with key responsibility for the themes of educational attainment, Lifeskills and Training have been referenced on the Mindmap. Over 100 Organisations registered as Wellnet Members have identified that the work they do supports this Objective within the Eastern Area.

Actions to date/Future Action An Event organised by the Eastern Area IFH on the IFH Objective 2 Community of Interest allowed representatives from various Government Departments to outline key strategic priorities relating to Objective 2. The Workshop identified a number of participating Organisations willing to contribute to the development of further action. A particularly powerful input to the Workshop was made by a young person and his peer mentor and this allowed Government strategy to be grounded in the experience of people of school age.

Further Action:

- Locality Community of Interest Development of the Communities of Interest in the 4 Localities.
- Investment in order to consolidate successful, though insecurely funded work that results in people developing their educational, lifeskills and training capacity e.g. successful models of Peer Education and Mentoring
- Organise shared planning and priority setting with the Eastern Area Children and Young People's Committee in order to identify the delivery potential on shared targets and priorities.

Monitoring of Non-Recurrent Investments 04-05
 Ongoing monitoring & evaluation of new investments

Evaluation/Monitoring

Launch of Eastern Area COI
 Establishment of 4 local COIs
 Conference: What works in Mental Health Promotion June 2004
 Investment of Non-Recurrent Funds via local COI Consortia 04-05

Actions to date

Production of local Action Plans by COIs
 Establishment of COI Eastern Area Steering Group
 Investment of Non-Recurrent Mental Health Promotion Funds 05-06 inc targeted action on suicide prevention
 A Workshop on "Sharing Good Practice" Eastern Area
 Investigation of Mental Health First Aid Initiative

Proposals for future

Actions

Boards/Trusts/LHSCGs/Health Promotion Agency
 NI Housing Executive
 Further & Higher Education Institutes
 Surestart

Statutory

Action Mental Health
 Age Concern NI
 Alzheimers North Down
 Aware Defeat Depression
 Barnardos
 Belfast Central Mission
 Belfast Cognitive Therapy Centre
 Belfast Healthy Cities
 Conservation Volunteers Family Support
 Groundwork NI
 YMCA
 MBS Services Opportunity Youth
 Relate NI
 Victim Support

Voluntary

Healthy Living Centres
 Bridge Community Association
 COISTE
 East Belfast Community Health Information Project
 East Belfast Independent Advice Centre
 Greater Shankill Partnership Board
 Flying Horse Community Project
 IMAGO
 North Belfast Partnership
 South Belfast Highway to Health
 The Link Family & Community Centre
 Turning Point
 Wheelworks
 Windsor Womens Centre

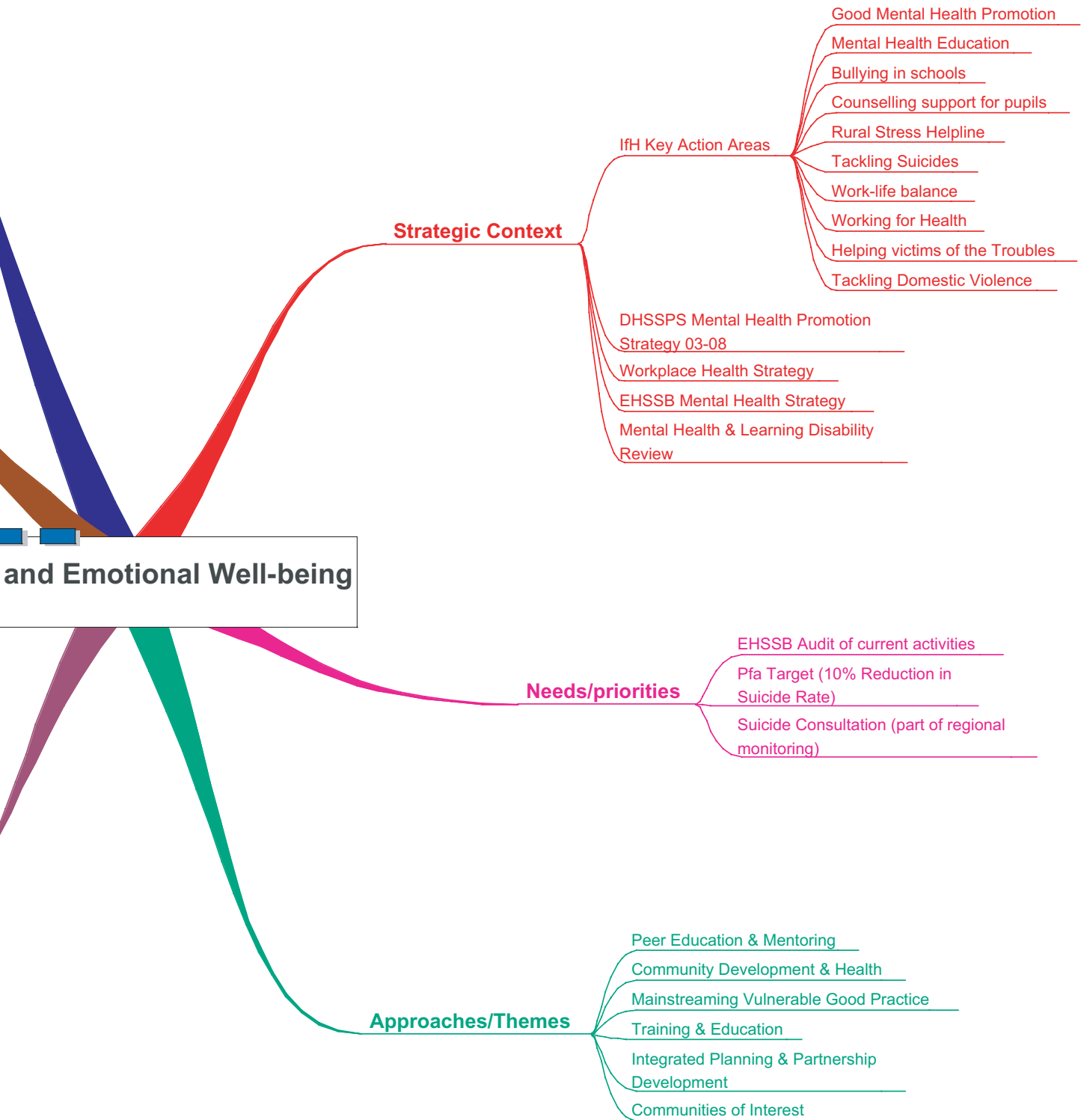
Community

Partners

Mental

Eastern Area Community of Interest

Objective 3 - Mental and Emotional Well-being



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Eastern Area Objective 3 - Mental Health and Emotional Wellbeing

Strategic Context

Strategic documents relating to this IfH Objective are from DHSSPS and the Health & Safety Executive. Expected **outcomes** include: reducing the number of people with mental ill health, reducing discrimination, promoting early intervention in mental health problems and reducing the number of suicides. The issue of suicide rates has taken on particular prominence locally with a rise in suicide numbers and variations at a locality level in terms of both incidence and the age profile of those who have died. The DHSSPS is currently developing a strategic approach to the issue and, in North and West Belfast, the Health Action Zone is leading a local multi-agency and community task force, to seek to improve approaches to suicide prevention and support for bereaved families.

Population Need

Even apart from the worrying trends on suicide, It is suggested that 1 in 6 adults will at any one point in time, have a diagnosed condition such as depression or anxiety. About 1 in 4 of us will have mental health problems dealt with in Primary Care each year.

In 2004 an audit was carried out of the range and type of interventions taking place across the Eastern Board area. This audit has provided a baseline for the establishment of the local Mental & Emotional Well Being Communities of Interest, providing information on which to build and develop local action plans.

Partners

A full range of partners from the statutory, voluntary and community sector have been involved both at area and locality level (approx. 120 organisations)

Actions to date

- EHSSB audit of current activity across the key action areas. The information is available at Locality level as well as Area level. Two meetings of the Area level Community of Interest (COI) have been held – an initial launch of the COI and then a workshop with partners on “What works in Mental Health Promotion”.
- Establishment of 4 locality COIs.

- Development of local Action Plans.
- Mutli-agency agreements on non-recurrent locality investment.

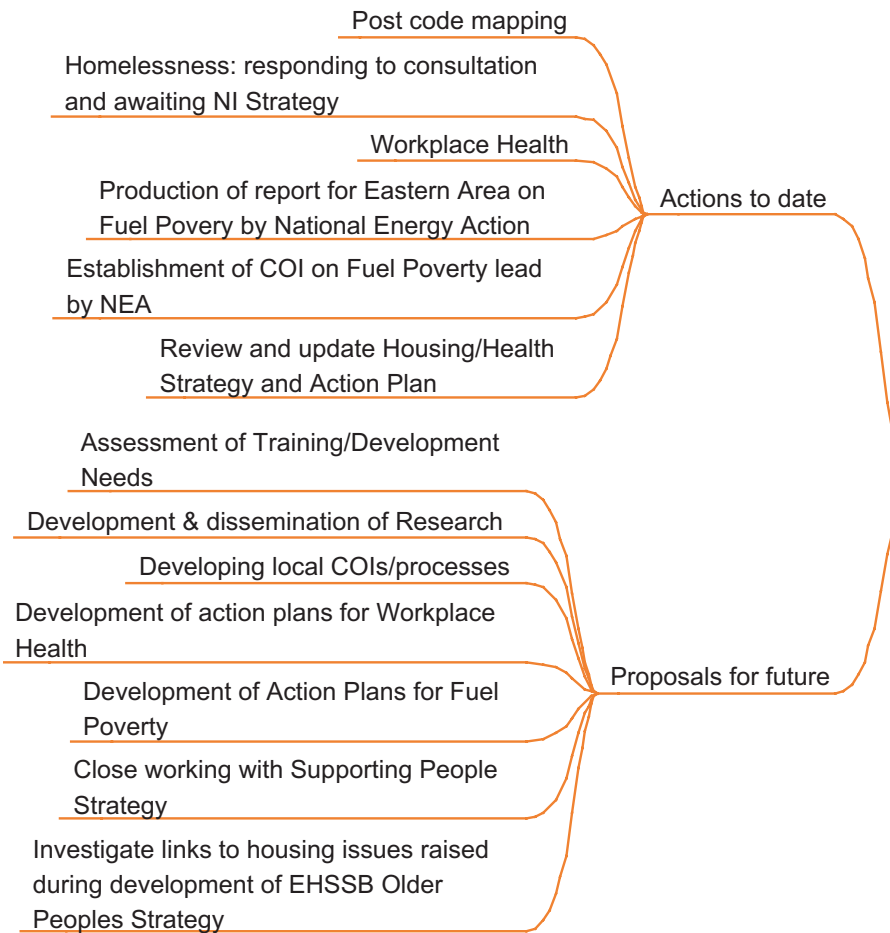
Future Action

Development of the COIs at local level.
The EHSSB Strategic Programme Group for Mental Health to co-ordinate approaches across Eastern Area and strengthen the local consortia approach to investment drawing in other partners and sources of funding.
Local action within the Suicide prevention Task Forces

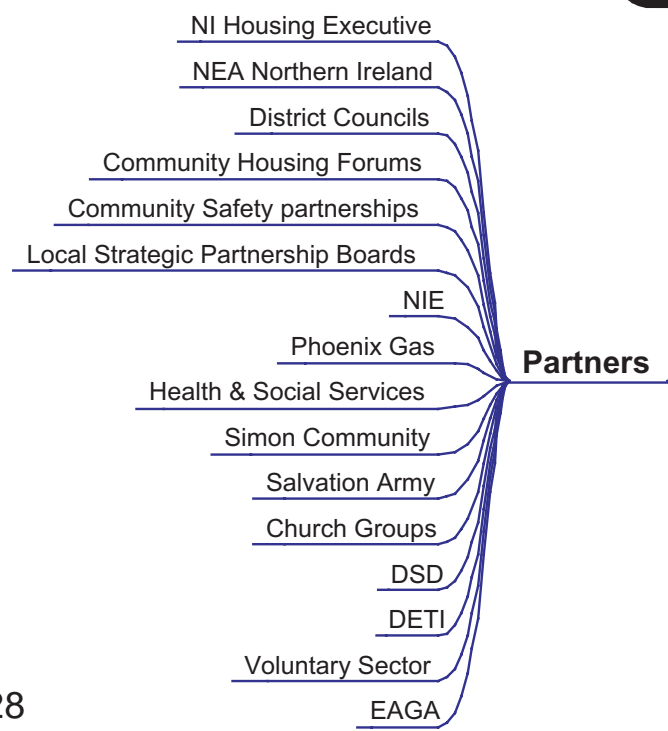
Eastern Area COI Objective 4 - Health a decent affordable

Monitoring and evaluation processes to be developed

Monitoring/Evaluation



Health
a decent



Community of Interest Healthy Environment and Affordable Home

Healthy Environment and Affordable Home

Strategic Drivers

- IfH Key Action Areas
 - Housing Conditions
 - Access to low cost housing
 - Homelessness
 - Fuel Poverty
 - Radon Gas
 - Workplace Health
- A Healthier Future
- Fuel Poverty Strategy
- Homelessness Strategy
- New TSN
- Supporting People
- Workplace Health Strategy
- Neighbourhood Renewal
- Developing Anti-Poverty Strategy
- Housing and Health Strategy

Needs/Priorities

- Housing and Health
- Fuel Poverty
- Workplace health
- Radon gas

Approaches/Themes

- Peer Education/Mentoring
- Community Development & Health
- Mainstreaming vulnerable good practice
- Training & Education
- Integrated Planning & Partnership Development
- Communities of Interest

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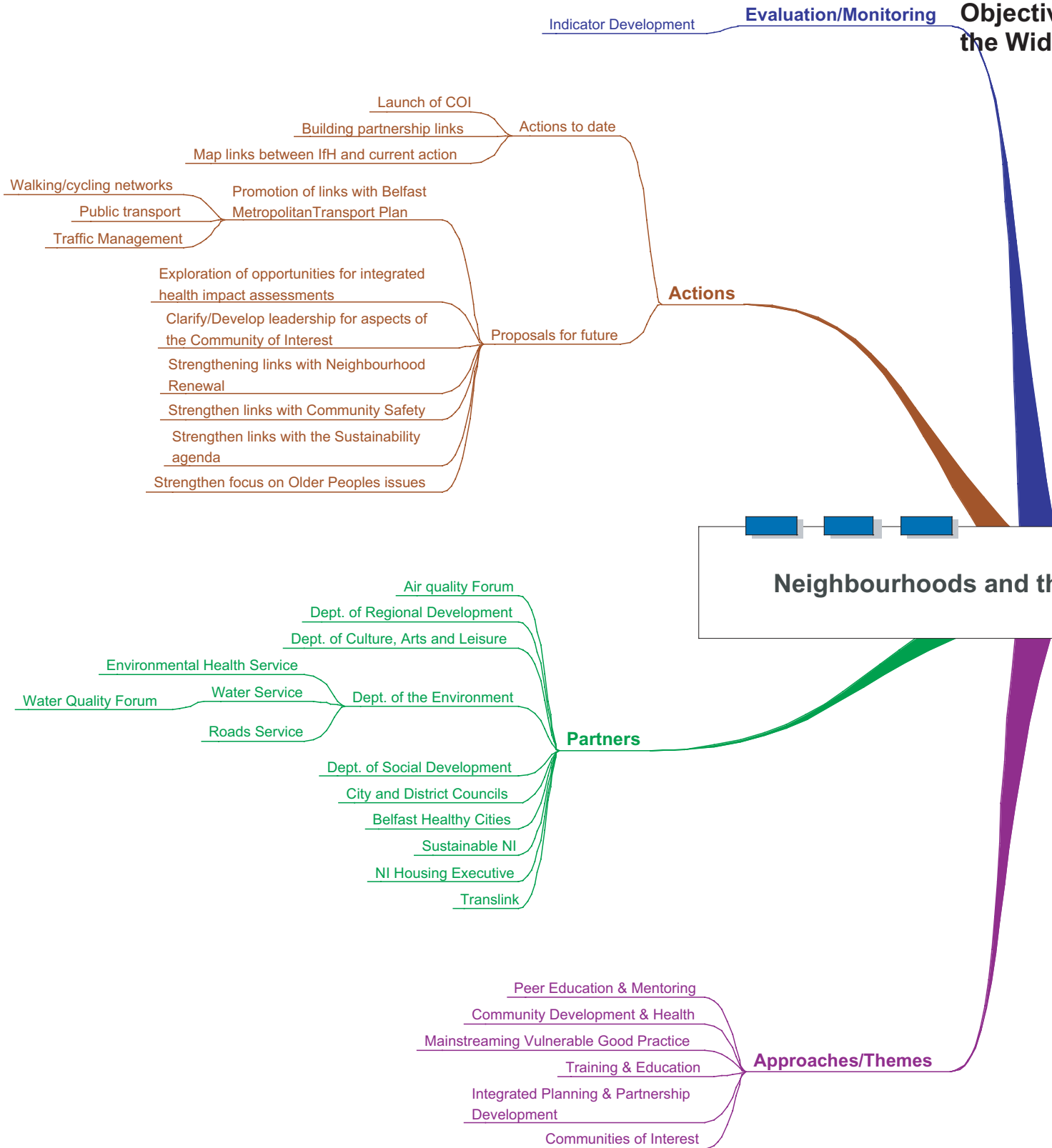
Strategic context/drivers:	Within this IFH objective the strategic drivers have their source in a number of Government Departments – DSD, DHSSPS and OFMDFM. The connecting element within these strategic drivers is the requirement for collaborative inter-sectoral partnerships.
Key themes:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">◆ The objective has key themes – housing and health, fuel poverty, radon gas and workplace health. The IFH team (Eastern Area) have been developing the Community of Interest for this objective as the strategies associated with the themes have been ratified and entered the public domain.◆ Partners have participated in the consultations on the Draft Homelessness Strategy and now await the publication of the final document to plan local action. With the publication of the NI Fuel Poverty Strategy, NEA NI has led the development of this community of interest. Direction from the Health and Safety Executive will shape the advancement of this element of the work.◆ The Radon Gas issue pertains only to the South Down part of Eastern area and this work will be developed at regional level.
Partners:	A full range of partners from the voluntary, community, statutory and business sectors is involved in development of the fuel poverty community of interest. NIHE as lead on Housing and Health for some time.
Investment sources:	These will vary with the work around the five themes. The significant majority of the funds come through Partner Statutory agencies with IfH supplementing these with small but strategically placed resources.
Actions to date:	NEA NI has undertaken a mapping exercise of Eastern Area by postcode to identify the local fuel poverty issues (full details in “What degree warm”). This work along with local project work has to be the catalyst for the four locality community of interests to develop local action plans to

address fuel poverty. Community safety has an active programme of work as does the Housing and Health Partnership.

Future actions:

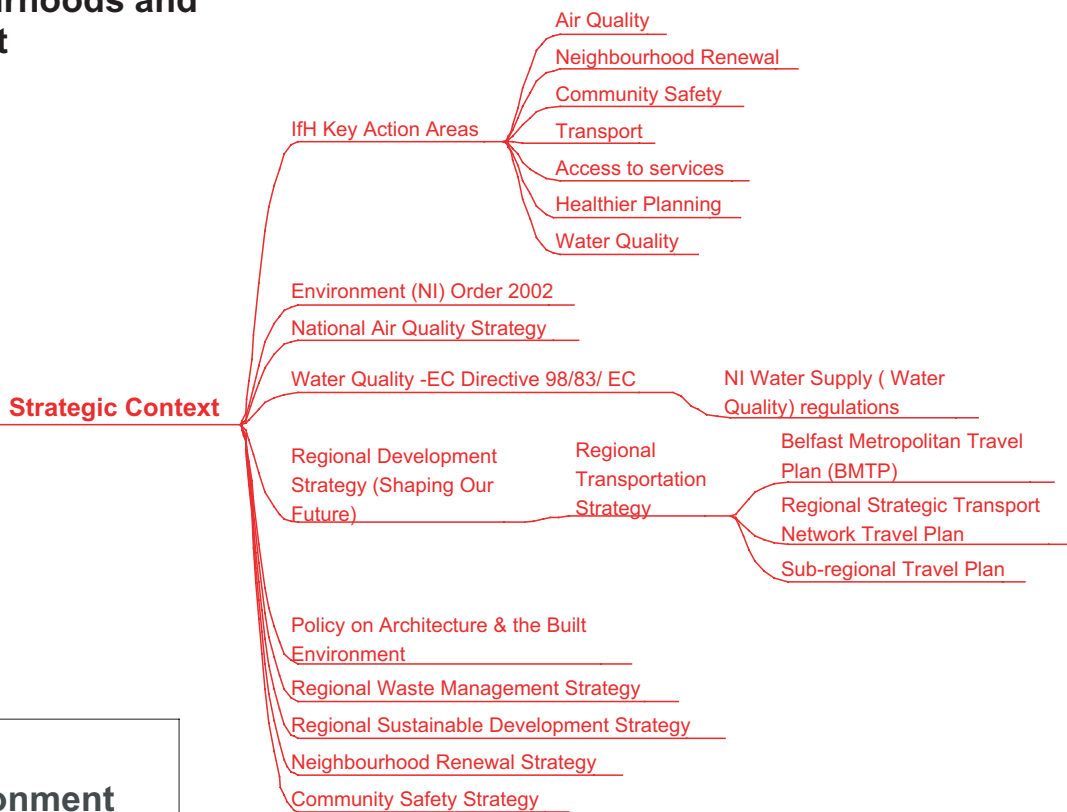
- ◆ The implementation of local action plans for addressing fuel poverty, and housing and health.
- ◆ Strengthening the relationship with Health and Safety Executive to progress workplace health issues in Eastern Area.
- ◆ Planning local action around the homelessness strategy once it is produced
- ◆ Looking at housing related issues raised during the development work on the EHSSB Older Peoples Strategy and trying to establish leadership and action planning to take these forward.

Eastern Objective the Wid



Area Community of Interest ve 5 - Neighbourhoods and er Environment

Wider Environment



Health Improvement Plan Review and Forward Plan 2005/06 Eastern Area, Objective 5 - The wider environment

Strategic context	There is an array of strategies and policies that feed into improving our neighbourhood and wider environment. This Objective has a number of strands, each covered by a Government Strategy.
Key themes	Air Quality, Neighbourhood Renewal, Community Safety, Sustainability, Regional and Urban Planning, including Transportation.
Partners	A range of partners, particularly from Government departments, City and District Councils and organisations concerned with improving the wider environment are required to engage in this challenging theme. The community also needs to be engaged.
Investment sources	Some of the relevant Strategies bring with them significant resources to which we need to bring a health perspective.
Actions to date	<p>EHSSB participates in the Air Quality Forum partnership set up by Belfast City Council.</p> <p>Air Quality Management Areas have been set up. Air quality monitoring in Northern Ireland, is currently carried out by District Councils and the Environment and Heritage Service.</p> <p>Belfast City Council, working in partnership with a number of interested parties including the Eastern Health and Social Services Board are conducting a Health Impact Assessment (HIA) on Belfast City's Draft Air Quality Action Plan.</p> <p>The Board is working with Belfast City Council on mini HIAs in two local schools within the Air Quality Management Areas.</p> <p>Community Safety Partnerships have Action Plans which they are currently implementing.</p> <p>Arrangements are being developed for the operation of Neighbourhood Renewal Partnerships.</p>

Future actions

Standards have been set for the major air pollutants. Attention is now turning to indoor air quality with major issues including exposure of people to indoor tobacco smoke, modern construction methods, poor ventilation and the use of solid fuel heating systems.

Under the Local Air Quality Management system, introduced in the Environment (NI) Order 2002, District Councils are required to review and assess air quality in their areas. Where standards are unlikely to be achieved District Councils are required to designate air quality management areas and prepare and implement remedial action plans.

The health and well-being agenda needs to get alongside the Neighbourhood Renewal Partnerships and align Strategies. This Strategy has particular relevance for reducing Inequalities in health.

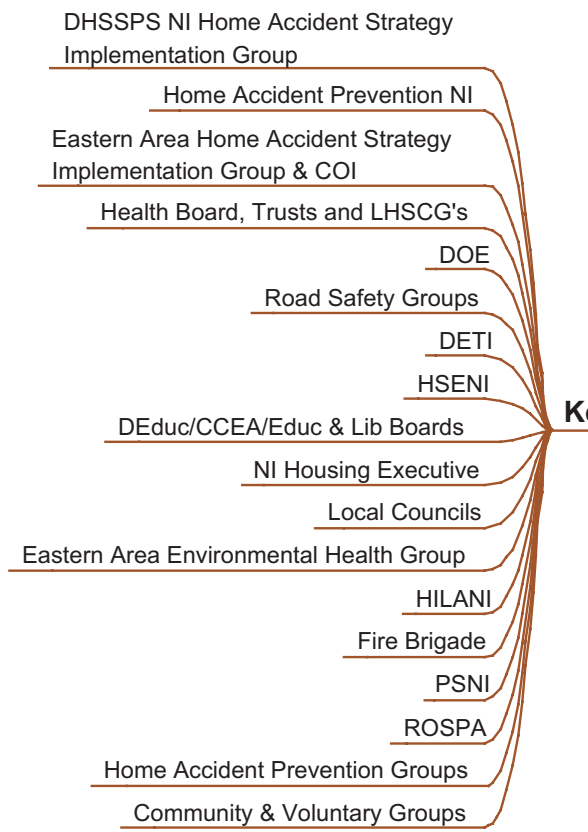
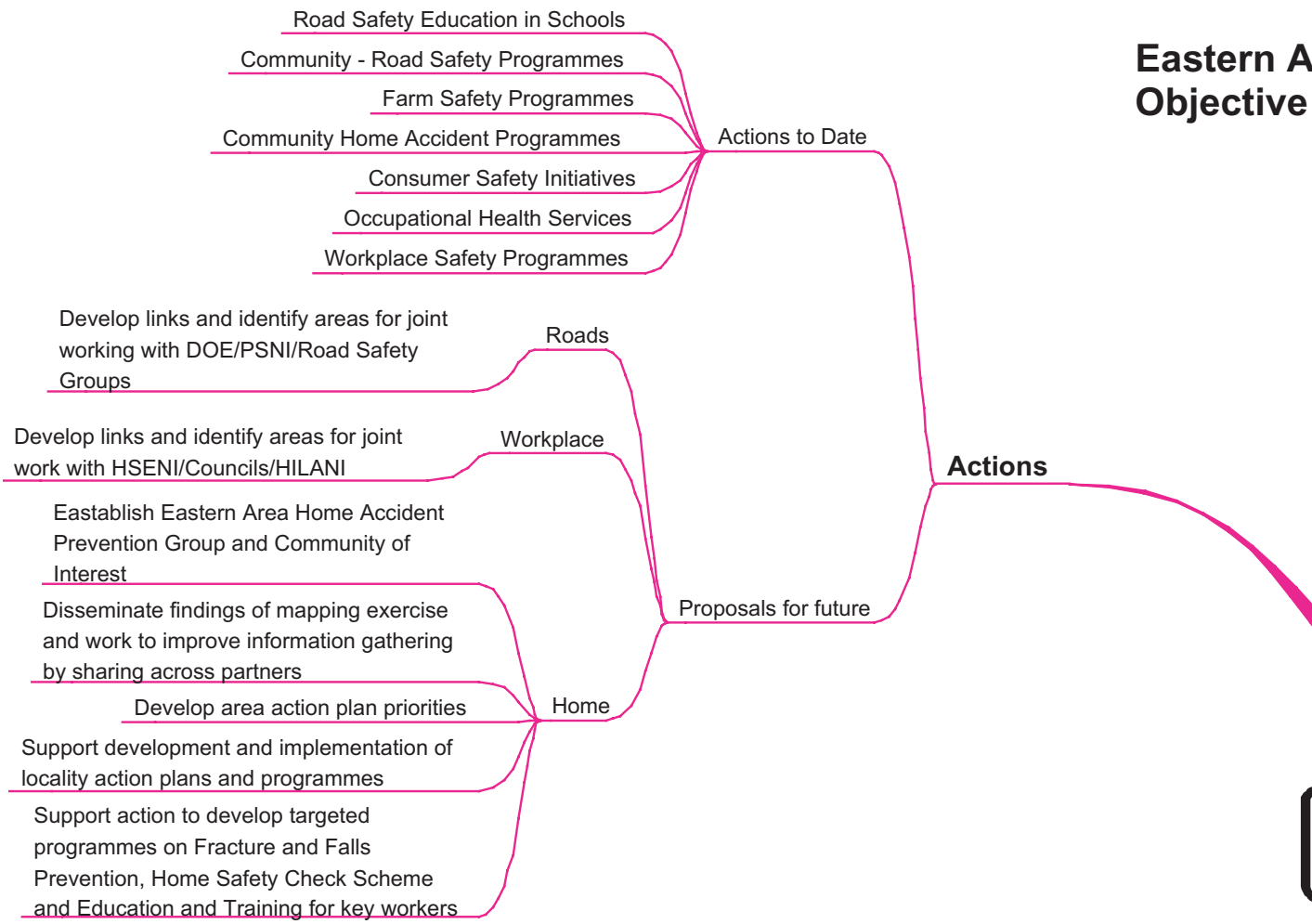
We need to influence the Community Safety agenda in the direction of improving the well-being and confidence of particular population groups such as older people.

We need to undertake action in the areas of healthy urban planning, particularly in the area of accident prevention and improving transportation in a way which supports healthier lifestyles.

We also need to increase action to support isolated rural populations and individuals and to work in a variety of arenas on environmental quality and sustainability.

The EHSSB's Older Peoples Strategy raised a number of issues relating to aspects of this Objective which have a particular prominence for older people. We need to explore these issues further and get agencies/groups who have leadership roles in developing and implementing Strategies, to take a particular Older Peoples perspective as part of their work.

Eastern Area Objective



Monitoring

Area Community of Interest 6 - Accident Prevention

Accident Prevention

Key Partners

Strategic Context

- IffH Key Action Areas
 - Home Accidents
 - Road Traffic Accidents
 - Workplace Accidents
- Road Safety
- Regional Transportation
- Working for Health
- HSENI Corporate Plan
- Home Accident Prevention Strategy

Needs/Priorities

- Reducing Deaths & Injuries on Roads
- Reducing Deaths & Injuries from accidents in workplaces
- Reducing Deaths & Injuries from accidents within and around the home

Approaches/Themes

- Peer Education & Mentoring
- Community Development & Health
- Mainstreaming Vulnerable Good Practice
- Training & Education
- Integrated Planning & Partnership Development
- Communities of Interest

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Eastern Area Objective 6 – Reducing Accidental Deaths
in the Home, Workplace, and on the Roads

- Strategic Context/drivers:** In the Northern Ireland Programme for Government 2002 – 2005 a commitment was given to promoting public safety by reducing deaths and injuries from accidents in the home, workplace and on the roads. As a result a number of strategic documents have been put in place to drive action across the three settings identified and to support the development of collaborative working across Departments, agencies, partner organisations and communities.
- Key themes:** The Eastern Area Investing for Health Partnership will seek to support the work of organisations and groups across the three settings of home, roads and workplaces. It will work with partners to:
- support the development of policies and actions that raise the profile and priority afforded to accident prevention;
 - improve the gathering and sharing of information on area and local needs and priorities;
 - facilitate the coordination and development of actions across community, statutory and voluntary sectors to address these needs and which reflect evidence based practice;
 - increase knowledge and awareness amongst key individuals, disciplines and organisations on the accident prevention agenda.
- Partners:** There are a large number of key organisations and groups from across the community, statutory, voluntary and private sectors involved in action to prevent accidents in the home, workplace and on the roads. It is not the Eastern Area IfH Partnership agenda to replicate these but rather to support and facilitate their further development where this is required.
- Resource:** There are a number of investment sources in place to facilitate action across the accident prevention agenda. The recent, relatively small, allocation of resource from DHSSPS for Home Accident Prevention will be utilised to begin to

realise the priorities and action plans that will be identified through the Eastern Area “Community of Interest” Working Group on Home Accident Prevention.

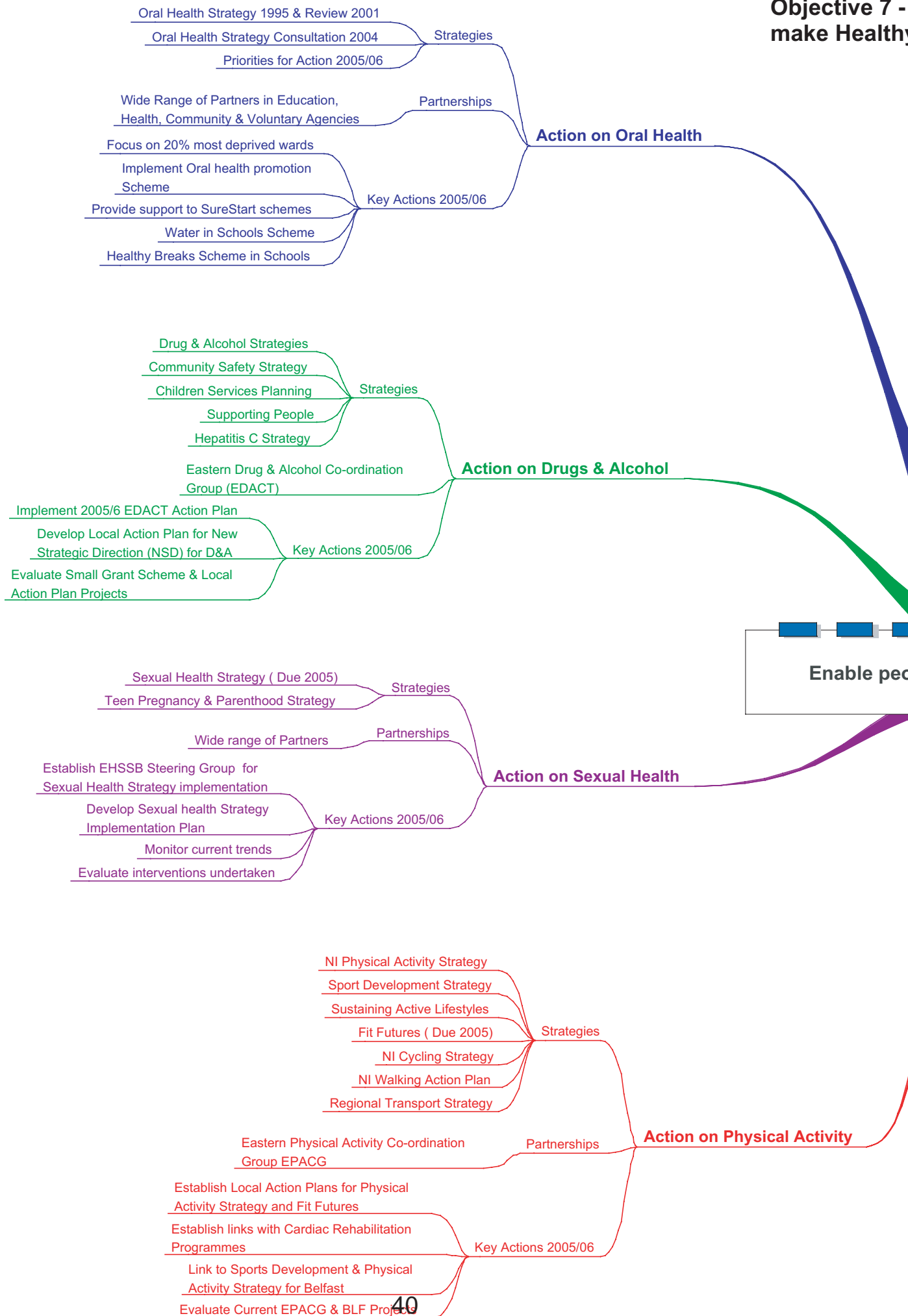
Actions to date: There are a significant number of initiatives, programmes and projects across communities, organisations and partnerships that are seeking to address the accident prevention agendas at area and local level.

The Board in conjunction with Belfast City Council and the Eastern Area Environmental Health Group is currently undertaking a mapping exercise to identify these contributions across the settings of homes, roads and workplaces.

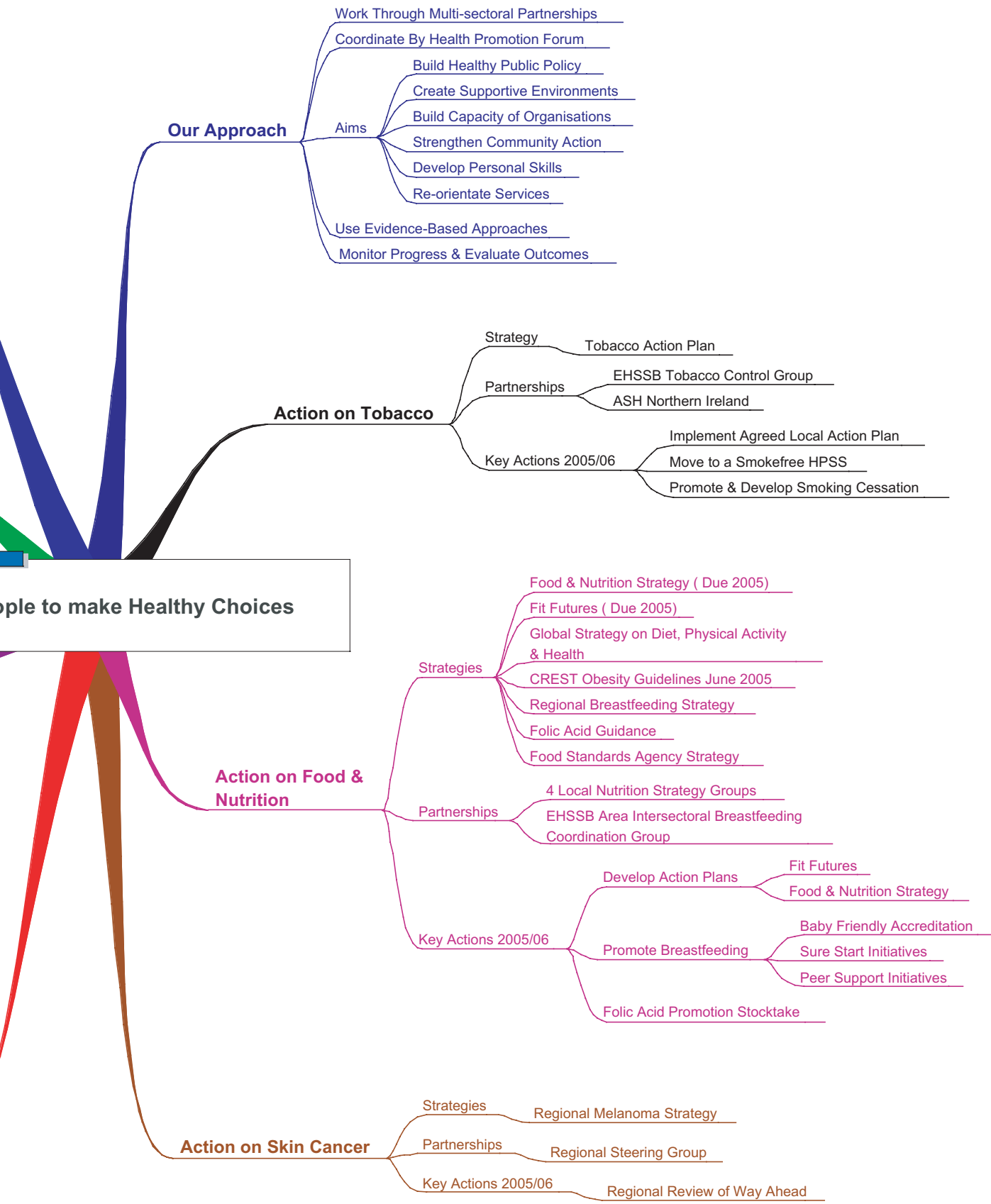
Work has been initiated to establish an intersectoral working group to lead and develop a “Community of Interest” on Home Accident Prevention and as a result to develop an agreed set of priorities and actions for the area.

Future actions:

- Complete and disseminate the findings of the Eastern Area Mapping exercise;
- Develop linkages and networks with partner organisations to agree future direction in relation to work on accident prevention at Area level and in Localities;
- Establish an intersectoral working group to support the development of a “COI” on Home Accident Prevention;
- Develop an area wide action plan on home accident prevention and identify key areas for investment of the Home Accident Prevention allocation;
- Work to ensure that the accident prevention agenda is embedded across organisational agendas and plans and in policies, strategies and programmes for key groups such as children, older people and vulnerable individuals.



Enable People to Make Healthy Choices



Health Improvement Plan

Eastern Area Objective 7 – Enable People to Make Healthy Choices

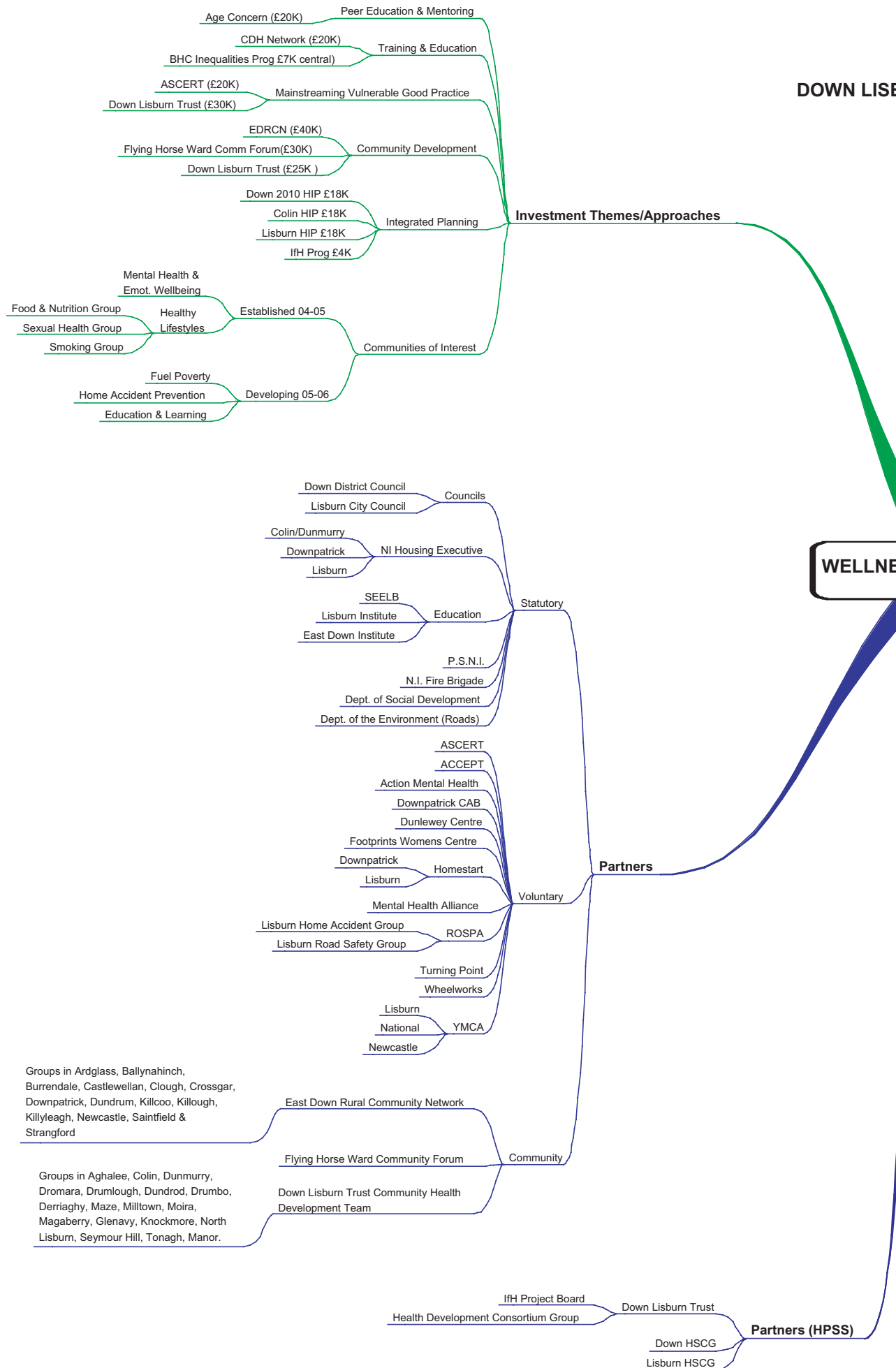
- Strategic context drivers:** While the Investing for Health Strategy provides targets specifically in relation to obesity and dental health, a wider range of strategy papers relevant to Healthy Choices have been developed or will be developed in the near future. These include objectives on smoking, food and nutrition, skin cancer, physical activity, sexual health, drugs and alcohol. Many of these strategies and objectives interrelate with one another and require inter-agency collaboration. Obesity, for example, requires an inter-agency approach on food and nutrition as well as physical activity.
- A range of surveys has shown the health behaviour and lifestyles of significant numbers of the population in the EHSSB not to be conducive to health. This is a particular concern among the most socio-economically disadvantaged who experience more ill health at all ages.
- Key themes:** Within objective 7 there is a range of themes and areas for action – represented on the Mind Map. The approaches used to achieve positive action on each of the themes are similar. These approaches are based on best practice that addresses the broad determinants of health and not simply personal skills/behaviour change. Enabling people to make healthier choices cannot be achieved through a health service means alone. Reducing the detrimental effects of these determinants of health on peoples capacity to make healthy choices requires an approach facilitated by partnerships and interagency collaboration. The range of these partnerships is illustrated in the mind map.
- Partners:** Partnership approaches are fundamental to the work of all themes within objective 7. A wide range of partners is engaged in work to implement Investing for Health Strategies and facilitate health-enhancing behaviour in a supportive environment.
- Investment sources:** Each of the Healthy Choices areas of action is or soon will be guided by a Strategy. It will be important in delivering on these strategies to ensure that the opportunities for synergy

with other agencies and local communities with skill and interest in these areas, are fully exploited.

Action to date: The activities undertaken to date and planned for the future are specific to each of the themes. The cross-referencing and coordination of these actions is facilitated by the Objective 7 Community of Interest, which is led by the Health Promotion Forum. *

Future actions: The DHSSPS has provided funds non-recurrently to help address many of the individual areas of action relating to Objective 7. These funds, for both 04/05 and 05/06 are indicated on the Investment Mind Maps provided later in the Health Improvement Plan. These resources and the work of the HPSS, can be set alongside a range of other resources – in cash or in kind, invested by other Agencies in activity that also supports Healthy Choices. Examples of this are the investments made by a number of Agencies in accident prevention, the mainstream activities of District Councils in promoting physical activity, health promotion work in schools and the community capacity building endeavours of a variety of Healthy Living Centres and other health development related schemes funded by the Big Lottery.

* Health Promotion Forum: This is a group of health promotion/development managers/specialists from the eight Trusts and the EHSSB.



BURN LOCALITY

ET PARTNERSHIP

Strategic Context

- Regional/Board Strategies as per Eastern Area Plan
- DHSSPS Priorities for Action
- IfH
- Down District Council Corporate Plan
- Lisburn City Council Corporate Plan
- Down 2010 Action Plan
- Local Strategic Partnerships Plans
 - Down
 - Lisburn
- Neighbourhood Renewal Strategies
 - Colin Neighbourhood
 - Downpatrick
 - Flying Horse Ward
- Priority Estates Programme
- Health Improvement Plan 03-04 & 04-05
- Colin Neighbourhood Strategy
- Down Lisburn Trust
 - Corporate Plan
 - Reform & Modernisation Programme
 - Priorities for Action
 - Programmes of Care
 - Health Development Framework
 - Community Development Strategy
- Health & Social Care Group's
 - Down Primary Care Plan
 - Lisburn Primary Care Plan
- Colin SureStart Strategy
- Downpatrick SureStart Strategy
- Community Safety Strategy
 - Down
 - Lisburn
 - Colin

Needs/Priorities

- Developing a locality integrated planning process
- Needs Assessment and health profiling
- Working with disadvantaged communities & groups in urban/rural settings
- Older People
- Children & Families
- People with a disability or a mental illness
- Action across localities and settings
- Action across wider determinants of health

Partnerships

- Age Concern NI
 - Actively Ageing Well
 - Community Health Project
- Alcohol & Drug Forums (Down,Lisburn)
- Colin Neighbourhood Initiative
 - Health for All
 - Environment, Recreation & Leisure
 - Community Safety
- Community Safety Partnerships
- Down 2010 Initiative
 - Health Team
 - Education Team
 - Economic Regeneration Team
 - Environment Team
- Down Lisburn Early Years Childcare Partnership
- Disability Network Scheme Lisburn
- Down Lisburn Trust/SEELB Partnership
 - Parenting & Early Years
 - Healthy Schools
 - Looked After Children
 - Special Education
- Down Lisburn Trust Locality Partnerships
 - Dunmurry area
 - Lisburn area
 - Rural Lisburn area
 - Newcastle area
- Flying Horse Ward IfH Project
- Local Strategic Partnerships
 - Downpatrick
 - Lisburn
- Neighbourhood Renewal Partnership
 - Colin
 - Downpatrick
 - Flying Horse Ward
- SureStart
 - Colin
 - Downpatrick

Health Improvement Plan Review and Forward Plan 2005-2006 Down Lisburn Locality

Strategic Context & Approach

The goal of Investing for Health (IFH) within Down Lisburn is to work towards the continuous improvement of health and well being for everyone and a reduction in health inequalities where these exist. The focus of activity is on building capacity amongst individuals, communities and partner organisations to realise the goals and objectives of IFH. In seeking to realise the goal the priorities for action are targeted at:

- Raising the profile of IFH within the strategic and operational agendas of key organisations and partnership networks;
- Providing support that will assist communities to identify their needs and priorities and that will create a partnership approach between communities and provider organisations to address these;
- Developing mechanisms and structures that foster a more integrated and co-ordinated approach to priority setting, planning and delivery;
- Supporting the development of actions and practice to address needs and priorities across a range of issues, settings and population groups;
- Ensuring that activity and practice is monitored and evaluated and that there are mechanisms in place that encourage the sharing of information, knowledge and learning across partners.

There are a number of significant policy and strategic development initiatives that complement and support the realisation of the IFH agenda within Down Lisburn.

Population Need

Work is currently underway to collate and disseminate data and information on the health and well being of the Down Lisburn population across the range of determinants and objectives of IFH. This work is being led by the two Health & Social Care Groups, Down Lisburn Trust Health Development Department and IfH and is being undertaken in conjunction with a range of local partners. In addition, a process is underway to develop local Community Health & Wellbeing Profiles within key priority areas across the locality. This information is currently being used to inform the development of Locality Health Improvement Plans for Colin, Downpatrick and Lisburn.

Partners

There are a wide range of partnerships, networks, organisations and groups from across the community, statutory and voluntary sectors who contribute significantly to the ongoing work to realise the IFH agenda.

Investment themes and

Investment in the locality has focused on:

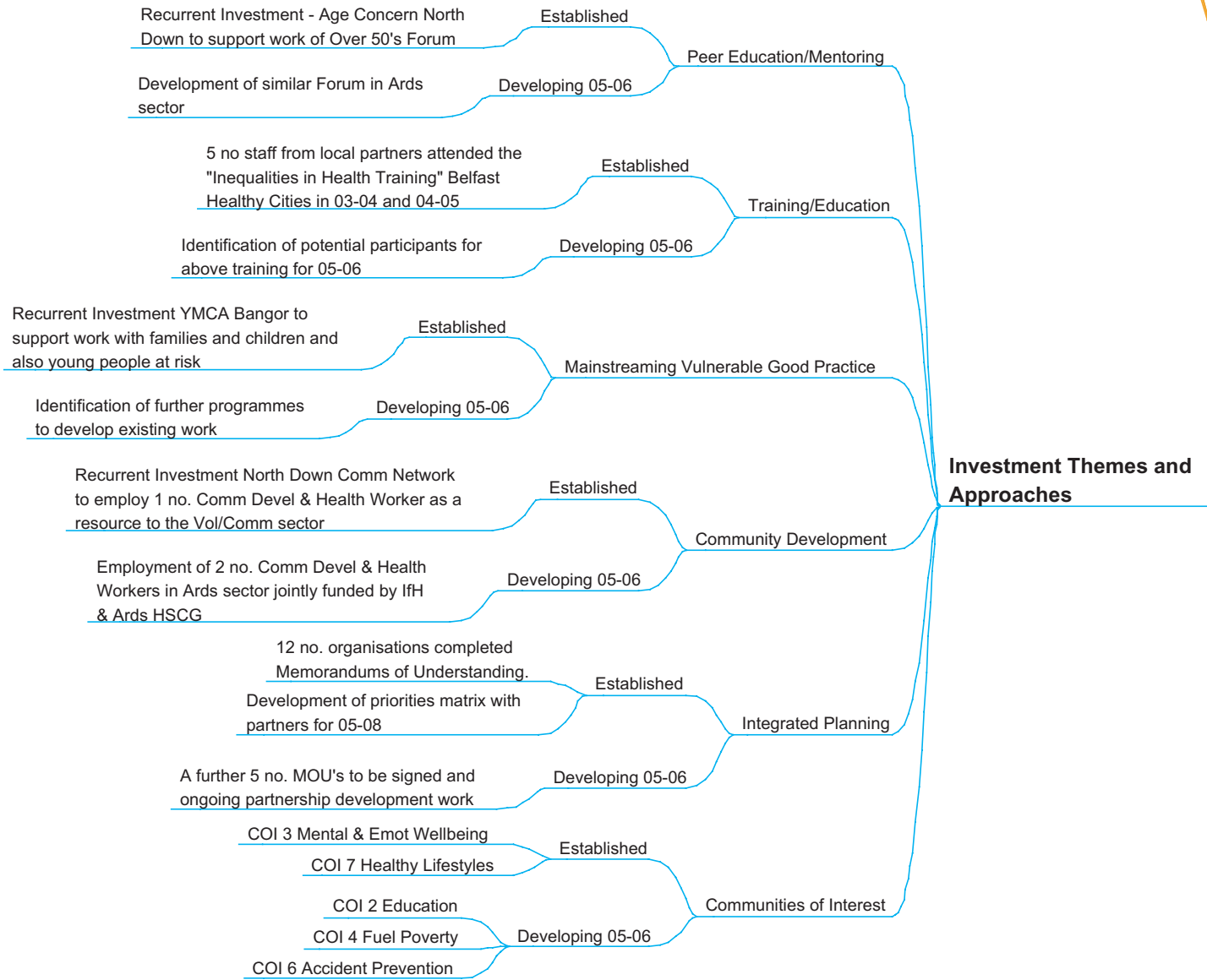
- Supporting Peer Education/Mentoring and self help type approaches for older people through a joint initiative with Age Concern NI and Down Lisburn Trust;
- Improving access to Training/Education opportunities for key workers and organisations on Health Inequalities, Mental Health Promotion and Healthy Choices;
- Mainstreaming key practice to facilitate and enhance partnership development and collaborative working through the work of ASCERT and Down Lisburn Trust Health Development Team;
- Creating a structure to enhance community health development practice as a fundamental approach in health improvement. A total of 8 Community Health Development Workers posts have been established as a result of very significant additional resource commitment from IFH, Down Lisburn Trust, Down and Lisburn Health & Social Care Groups, Down District Council, DSD and EDRCN.
- Integrated Planning across organisations and communities that will ensure a more coordinated and collaborative approach to addressing the local agenda for health improvement. As a result work is currently nearing completion on the development of three locality HIP's for Colin, Down and Lisburn Sectors.
- Two "Communities of Interest" have been established and a further three will be developed in 05/06.

Future Action

- Continue to build commitment and support from partners to the realisation of the IFH agenda;
- Maintain support for the ongoing engagement of communities in the identification of needs and priorities and in the development of actions to address these;
- Complete and launch the HIP's and health profiles for Colin, Lisburn and Down localities;
- Work with partners to realise additional resource and support that will assist the delivery of the locality HIP's actions and priorities;
- Develop specific action on Home Accident Prevention, Fuel Poverty and Education and Learning in partnership with key groups and organisations.

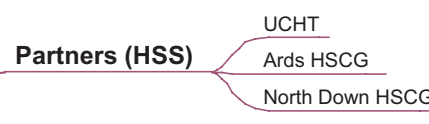
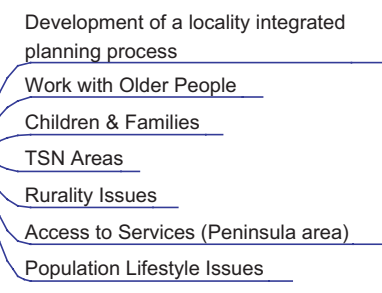
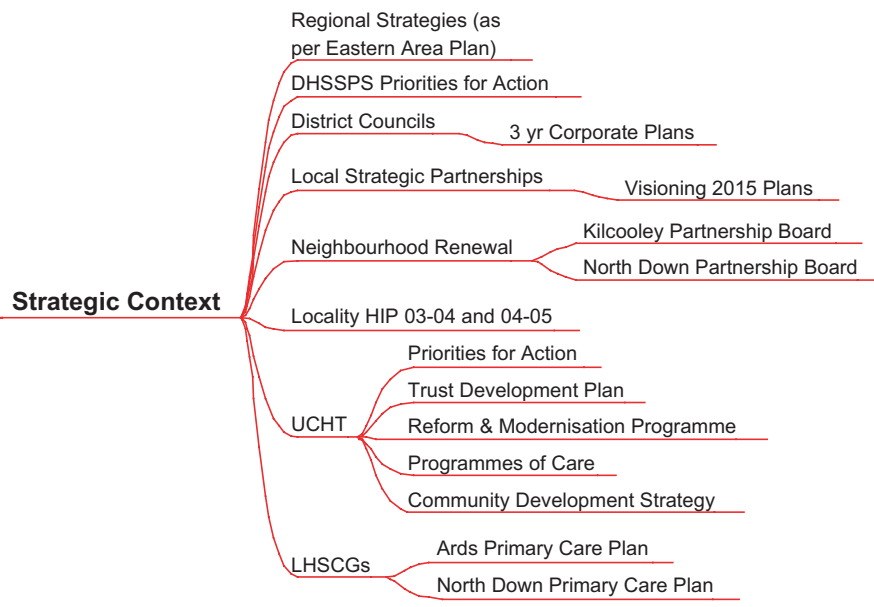
Network Partnership of 20 no. agencies from local area
 Development during 05-06 to add 10 more organisations to website

Wellnet Interactive Website

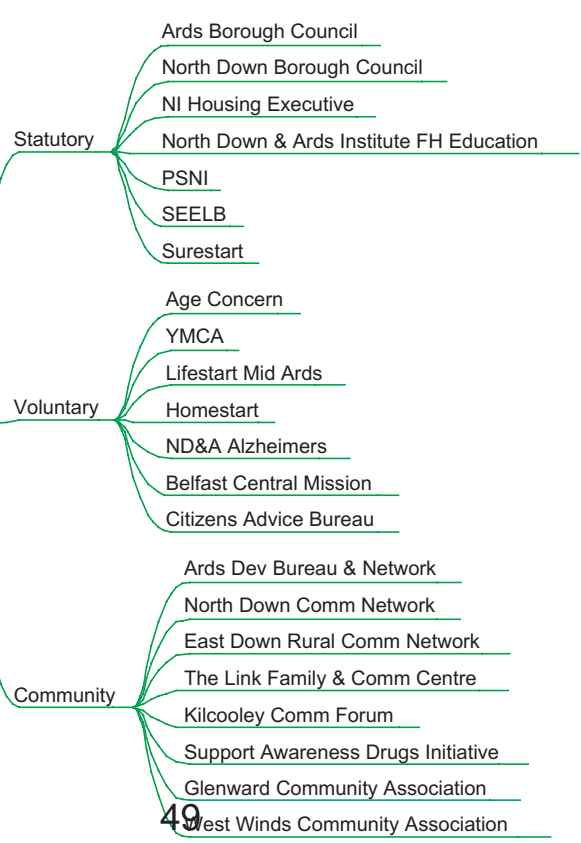


ORTH DOWN & ARDS LOCALITY

Vellnet Partnership



Other Partners



Health Improvement Plan Review and Forward Plan 2005-2006 North Down and Ards Locality

Strategic Context	<p>There are a wide range of strategic documents which have an impact on the locality Health Improvement Plan (HIP), at regional, eastern area level and at a local level.</p>
Population Need	<p>Data at locality level is difficult to obtain, however the local Health & Social Care Groups in conjunction with IfH and the local Trust have, during 2004-2005, been developing local Community Health & Wellbeing Profiles of both the Ards and North Down areas. Analysis of this information is currently taking place and it is intended that this, together with information from other partners such as the local Councils, Strategic Partnerships, Community organisations, etc. will provide a more local picture of needs and priorities.</p> <p>Local IfH Partnership members have identified a number of key priority action areas (within the IfH Framework) for their organisations over the next 3 years. This information has been drawn together on a maxtrix to determine various agencies who may have common agendas and can jointly plan action and activities.</p> <p>Opportunities will be taken in 05-06 to commission local action research to develop information at a locality level, particularly on the key future action areas.</p>
Partners	<p>Ongoing process of development through registering members on the Wellnet Interactive Website to broaden the network membership and encourage specific commitment to actions via our Memorandum of Understanding.</p>
Investment themes and approaches	<p>Investment within the locality follows the main themes and approaches across the Eastern Area as set out in the Eastern Area HIP 2003-2008. The process for allocation of funding involves the IfH Manager closely liaising with partners involved in the Health Improvement Planning (HIP) process to identify organisations whose work is consistent with the strategy and current priorities. A draft HIP, including suggested proposals, is circulated to members of the HIP process and placed on the Wellnet website. Once agreement has been reached, formal investment proposal forms are completed and contracts signed. The contract will specify the relevant outputs/outcomes the organisation will be expected to deliver/achieve.</p> <p>Investment for 05-06 is limited as it has been allocated on a non-recurrent basis, therefore we will seek to build on already</p>

established programmes/initiatives. We will also seek to support the work of the local partners in delivering on other strategic strategies, e.g. working closely with the local Neighbourhood Partnership Board in North Down (targeting 6 key disadvantaged areas).

Future Action

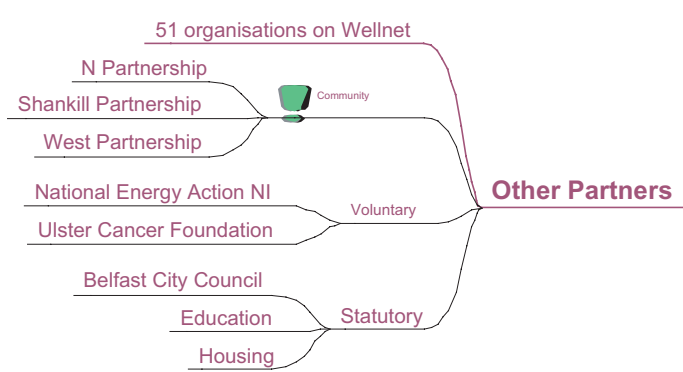
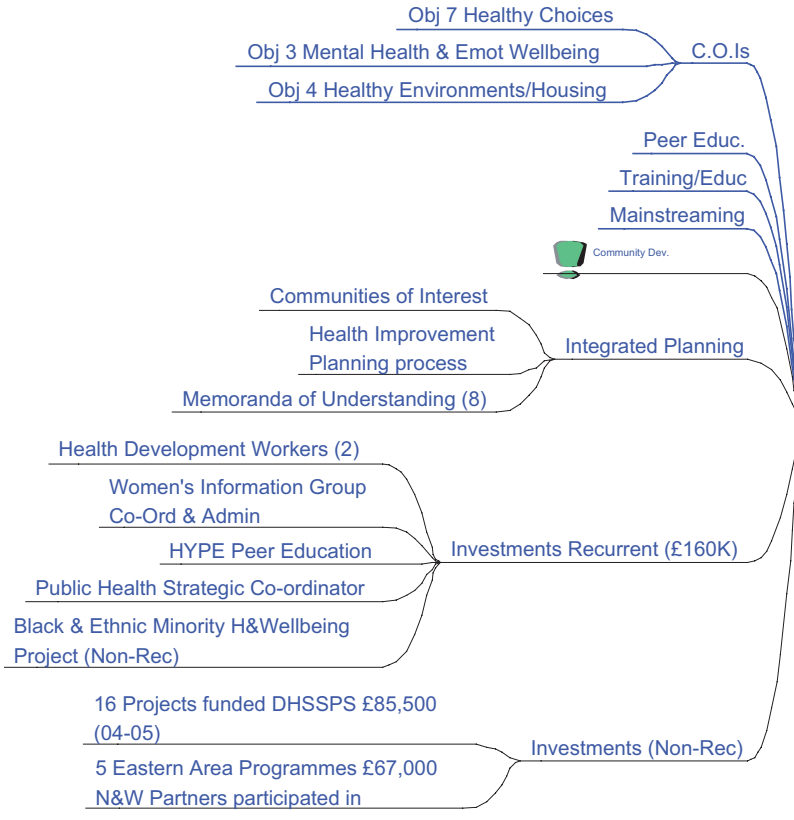
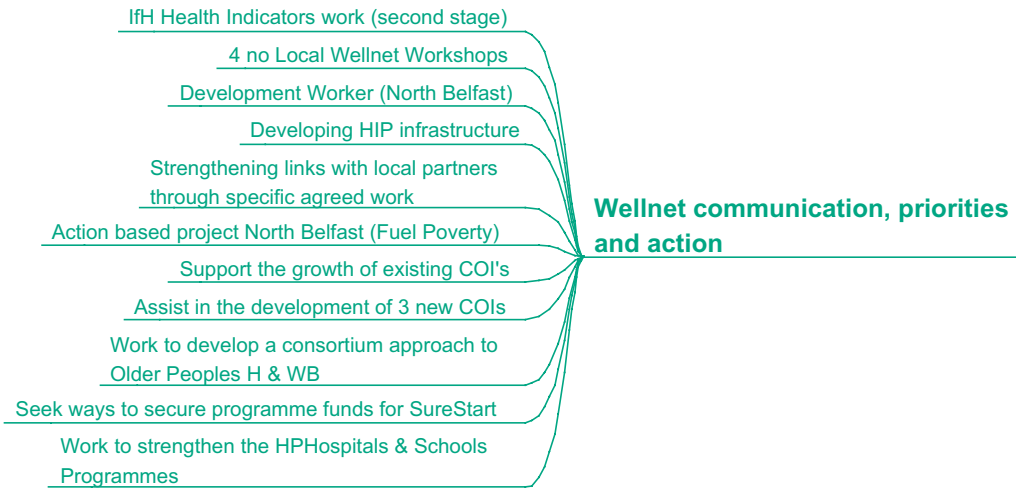
- Extension of Over 50's Group to the Ards area.
- Further development of the work with YMCA on homelessness, health issues with young people, and working with families and children.
- Building of the capacity of local communities on health and well being issues through the work of 3 no. CDHWs.
- Ongoing work with local partner organisations around integrated planning for health.
- Funding of agreed proposals from the local Mental Health & Emotional Wellbeing Action Plan. Identifying with partners the level of action required to achieve the Pfa target on suicide prevention.
- Continued development of the Communities of Interest.

Existing:

- COI 3 - implementation of the Action Plan.
- COI 7 - continued action on the key identified areas of Mental Health, Obesity, Sexual Health and Drugs & Alcohol.

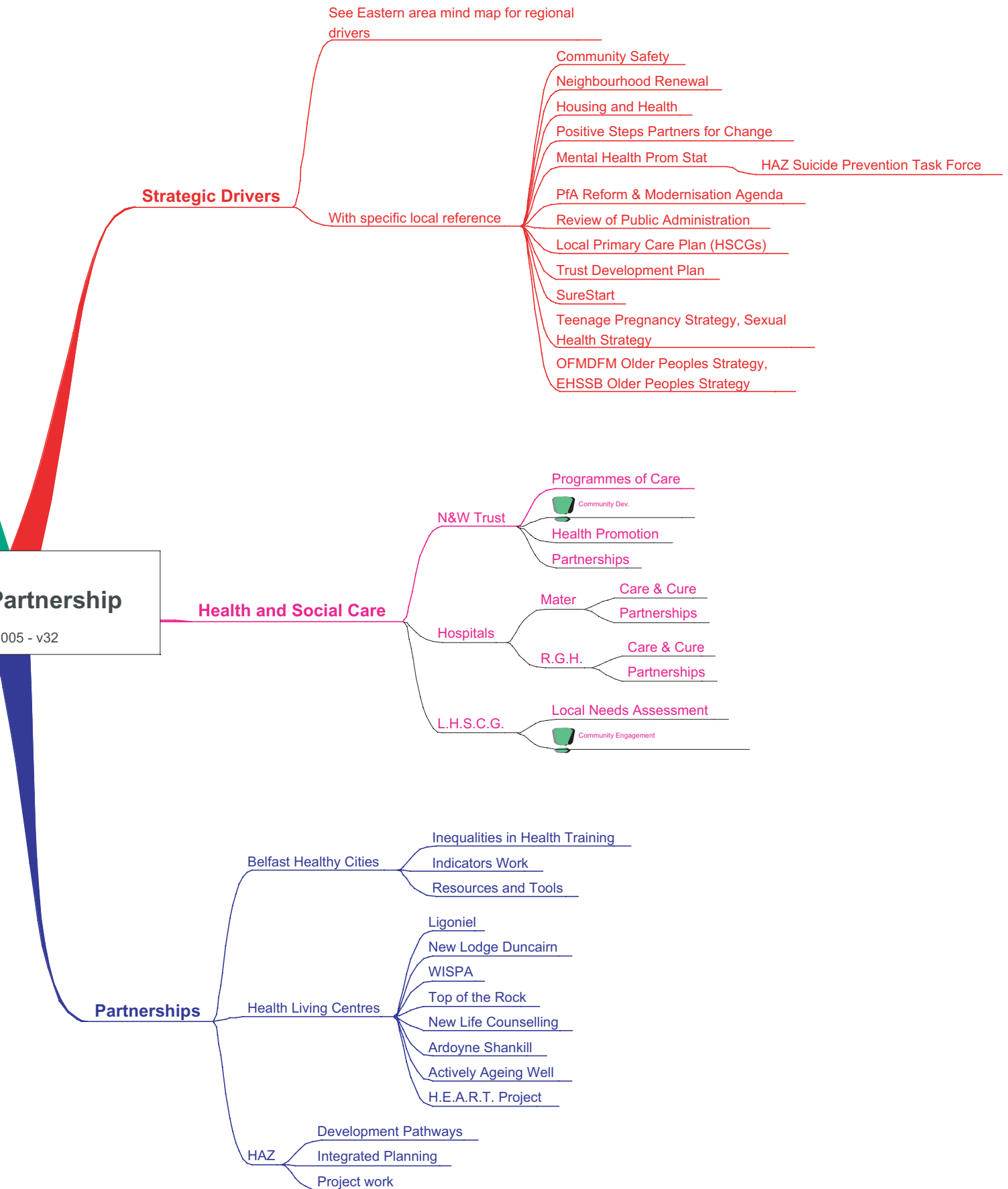
New:

- COI 2 - Education and skills of people - to liaise with North Down & Ards Institute, East Down Insitute, Education & Library Boards together with other statutory, voluntary and community representative to take this objective forward.
 - COI 4 - in particular Fuel Poverty. There was a recent launch at Eastern area level of this COI and a number of local organisations have agreed to meet and take forward action on Fuel Poverty at a local level.
 - COI 6 Accidents, particularly Home Accidents. Work has already commenced on establishing this COI at Eastern area level. It is anticipated that work will be required at a local level to develop a local action plan.
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- Continuing to increase the numbers of organisations who join the Wellnet Partnership and register on the Wellnet website.



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Belfast Locality



Health Improvement Plan Review and Forward Plan 2005/06 North and West Belfast Locality

Strategic Context Drivers:	<p>The Investing for Health Strategy is the key strategic driver for the Health Improvement Plan in the locality. Its role is to act as the detector, connecting across a wide range of strategies and action plans which contribute to health and wellbeing improvement and providing pathways for joined up working and stronger co-ordination to happen across the community, voluntary and statutory sectors.</p> <p>In addition to the regional strategies and action plans, commissioning documents such as Priorities for Action, Local Primary Care Plans (HSCG), Trust Development Plans (TDP) and Wellnet partner organisations, corporate plans indicate local action and developments to be taken, or required to be taken, to achieve Health Improvement in the area.</p>
Partners/ Stakeholders	<p>Wellnet partners in the locality represent a wide range of health and wellbeing interests from the community, voluntary and statutory sectors. Some of the larger groups, organisations and partnerships are specified on the locality mind map and it is these partners along side a vast number of community and voluntary organisations, who work to address specific health and wellbeing needs within the locality. Investing for Health works locally to strengthen and build on this existing infrastructure and continue to develop process which can establish greater cohesion across common agendas.</p> <p>It is through the increasing number of local organisations (51 registered on Wellnet) working with IFH on the 2 goals and 7 objectives that IFH aims to develop the local cohesion and identify the gaps and priority needs in the locality. The growing number of local partners acting as the glue to bring all of the locality health and wellbeing contributions closer together and provide the forum for sharing learning, good practice and encouraging greater co-ordination across the sectors by working together to identify common areas future development.</p>
Investment themes/ approaches	<p>The investment themes/approaches for the locality embrace capacity building as their main focus. The five themes are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Community development approaches to health and wellbeing.2. Peer education and mentoring.3. Mainstreaming vulnerable/evidence based programmes.4. Training and education programmes linked to addressing inequalities.5. Integrated planning e.g. – HIP processes, communities of interest.

The aim of IFH is to secure recurrent funding for health improvement across the community, voluntary and statutory sectors.

The **priority** for IFH investments within the locality are to develop and/or **increase the capacity to improve health and wellbeing**.

The (recurrent and non-recurrent) investments have to link directly to one or more of the five themes (previously mentioned) and additionally (the recurrent investments) fit the selection criteria of:

- A model or approach which has the potential to be rolled out across Eastern Area and/or wider
- Having a working partnership which includes community organisations and/ or both voluntary and statutory sectors
- Have an established work record over time (4-6 years or more).
- Provide programmes which address IFH locality needs.
- A record of delivering on planned outcomes
- Undertaken, evaluation of work programmes and models
- Be able to demonstrate how they currently deliver on IFH objectives and how they will continue to develop this in the future.

Recurrent funding in the locality to date = £160,000.00

Non recurrent funding = £120,000.00

Eastern area funded programmes = £ 67,000.00

The integrated planning process in the locality continues to be developed. It is assisted by Health Improvement planning work shops, the memorandums of understanding (8 completed) and the developing communities of interest.

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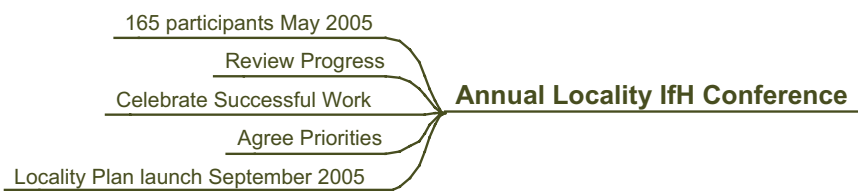
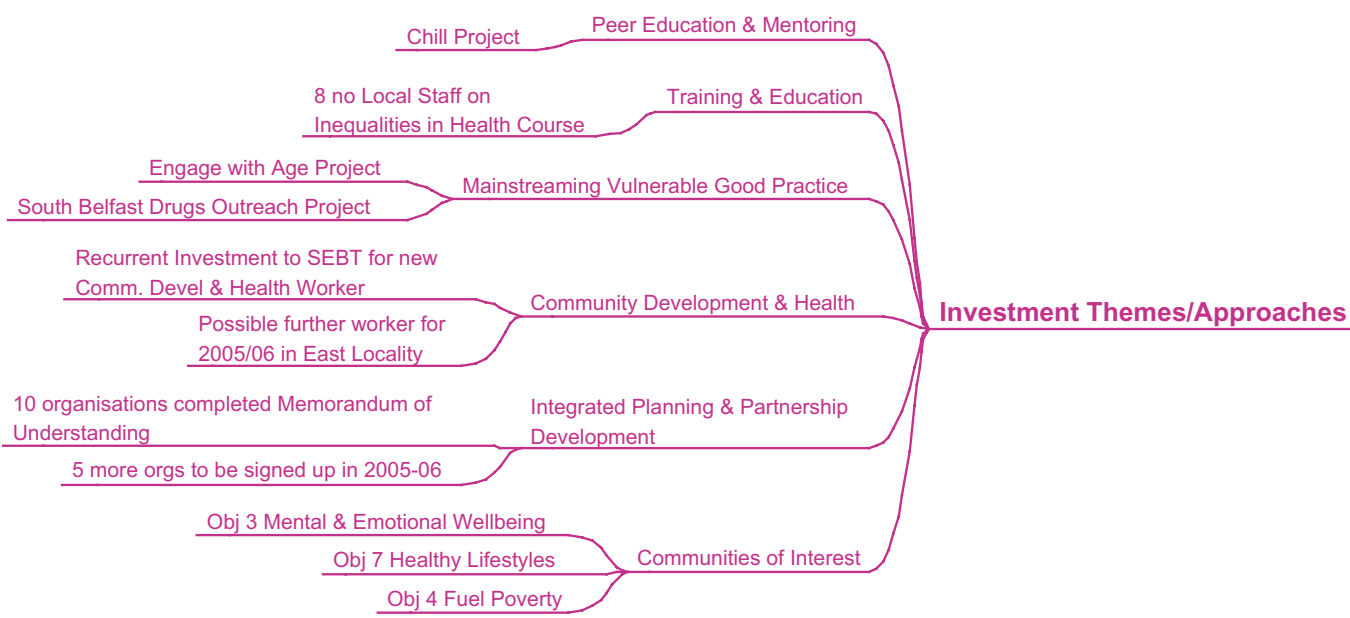
- Continue to develop the local Health Improvement planning process and infrastructure.

Information Sharing

- Further develop the local Wellnet partnership.
- Strengthen links with local partners through specific agreed work.

Action Priorities

- Support the growth of existing communities of interest (3), facilitate the development of 3 new communities of interest.
- Seek to secure part funding for development worker (health and wellbeing) for North Belfast.
- Develop a partnership approach to implement an action project to address fuel poverty in north Belfast.
- Work to strengthen the Health Promoting Hospital and Schools programmes with relevant partners in the locality.
- Work to develop a consortium approach to maintaining the health and wellbeing of older people in the locality.
- Participate in the second stage of the IfH health indicators work.
- Access and provide for locality partners a minimum of two development courses on evaluation process, facilitation skills and engagement and participation.



SOUTH AND EAST BELFAST & CASTLEREAGH LOCALITY

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Strategic Context

- A Healthier Future
- Neighbourhood Renewal (4 areas to be established)
- Housing Strategy
- Community Safety (Belfast, Castlereagh)
- Anti Poverty
- Revised School Curriculum
- Sandy Row & Village Task Force Reports

Needs/Priorities

- Identified at Locality Conference
- Building health improvement capacity

Healthcare Sector

- Priorities for Action
- South and East Trust (Community Development & Health Dept, Programmes of Care, Trust Development Plan)
- Hospitals (Health Promoting Hospitals)
- South East Belfast Health & Social Care Group

Statutory Partners

- Councils (Belfast City Council, Castlereagh District Council)
- Education (South Eastern Education & Library Board, Belfast Education & Library Board)
- Housing
- Probation Service

Local Partnerships

- Agencies in Consortium for Education & Training
- Belfast Healthy Cities
- Healthy Living Centres (East Belfast Comm Health Information Project, South Belfast Highway to Health)
- Partnership Boards (South Belfast, East Belfast)
- Engage with Age
- South Belfast Drugs Outreach
- Health Promoting Schools
- Sure Start (Inner East, Inner South)
- Castlereagh Strategic Partnership
- Belfast Strategic Partnership

Health Improvement Plan Review and Forward Plan 2005/06 South and East Belfast and Castlereagh Locality

Strategic Context

Department of Social Development is establishing **4 Neighbourhood Renewal Partnerships** within the Locality. An additional tranche of **Peace and Reconciliation Funding** has been announced in June 2005. The **Regional Community Safety Strategy** is being taken forward locally by both the **Belfast and Castlereagh Safety Partnerships**. DSD -**Sandy Row and Village Task Force** recommendations on addressing weaknesses in local community infrastructure.

Needs/Priorities An extensive agenda for action on local needs and priorities based on the IFH framework has been outlined through the Locality IFH Standing Conference. These include suicide prevention, building on the initial health improvement work undertaken by Healthy Living Centres and developing the health improvement agenda in areas of weak community infrastructure.

Health & Social Services Partners

South and East Belfast Trust has an internal Working Group on the theme of IFH and NTSN. This Group meets regularly to ensure progress on the locality IFH approach. The Trust has also reframed the focus of their health improvement work within the context of the IFH Strategy. South and East Belfast Trust, Eastern Health and Social Services Board and the related Eastern Area IFH Partnership have agreed an approach to take forward the local Trust area IFH agenda. This will be agreed and updated with stakeholders through an annual IFH Standing Conference. **South and East Belfast Health and Social Care Group** have supported through funding a large number of Projects whose focus of work relates to local need and the IFH Goals and Objectives.

Local Partners

Two local Projects are funded under the Big Lottery Healthy Living Centre programme. These are the **East Belfast Community Information Project (EBCHIP)** and **South Belfast Highway to Health**. The **East Belfast Partnership Board** and **South Belfast Partnership Board** have developed an extensive range of Initiatives aimed at securing locality social and urban renewal. **Engage with Age** represents a Partnership made up of Organisations who came together to develop a Project capable of providing local social support for isolated older people. Both **Inner City East Belfast Surestart** and **Inner City South Belfast Surestart** Projects has been successful in providing extensive locality support to families with support needs. In addition to those already referenced in this section, there are 53 organisations that have demonstrated their commitment to further

support the local implementation of the Locality IFH Strategy through completing a Memorandum of Understanding, registering on the Wellnet site and/or are active in the 3 current Communities of Interest.

**Locality
Communities
of Interest
Groups**

There are currently 3 distinct Locality Community of Interest Groups operating within South and East Belfast and Castlereagh.

Mental Health Promotion Group (IFH Objective 3)

This Community of Interest Working Group was convened initially in 2003 and is made up of 30 people representing 17 Organisations. The Group is facilitated jointly by the IFH Manager and SEBT Health Promotion Manager and has agreed a locality Action Plan. This Action Plan includes proposals that could be appropriate for Departmental Funding that will become available in 2005/06.

Fuel Poverty Group (IFH Objective 4)

This locality Community of Interest Group is made up of 8 Organisations. This Group will develop an action plan for Fuel Poverty in South and East Belfast and Castlereagh and deliver a funded programme of energy efficiency support to 50 families in Inner East Belfast.

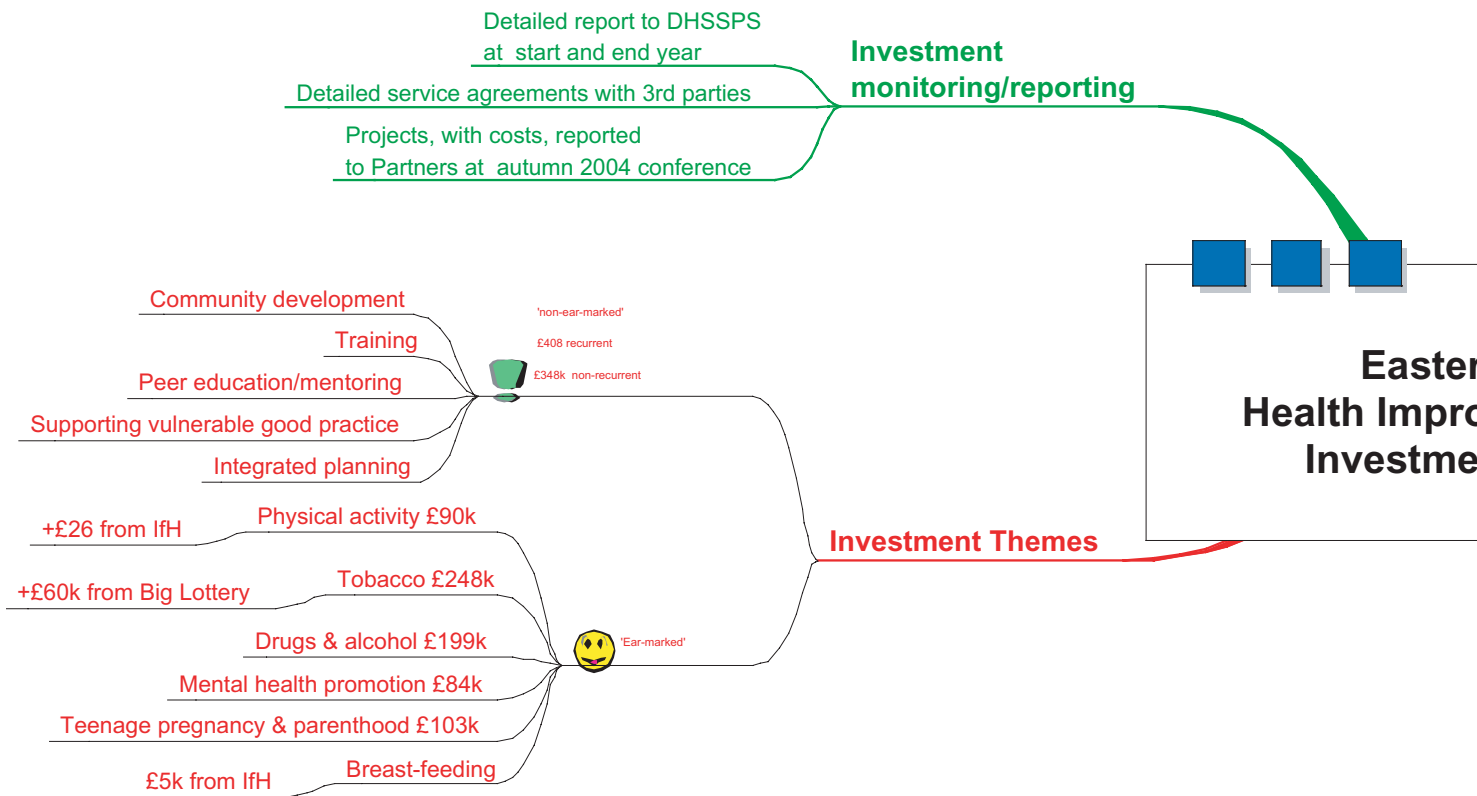
Healthier Lifestyles Community of Interest

The Eastern Area Health Promotion Forum has agreed to take forward IFH Objective 7 (Healthier Lifestyle Choices) on behalf of the Eastern Area IFH Partnership. Locally the SEBT Health Promotion Manager and Locality IFH Manager have undertaken a number of joint actions such as consultation on the Fit Futures Strategy and actions on the Tobacco Action Plan.

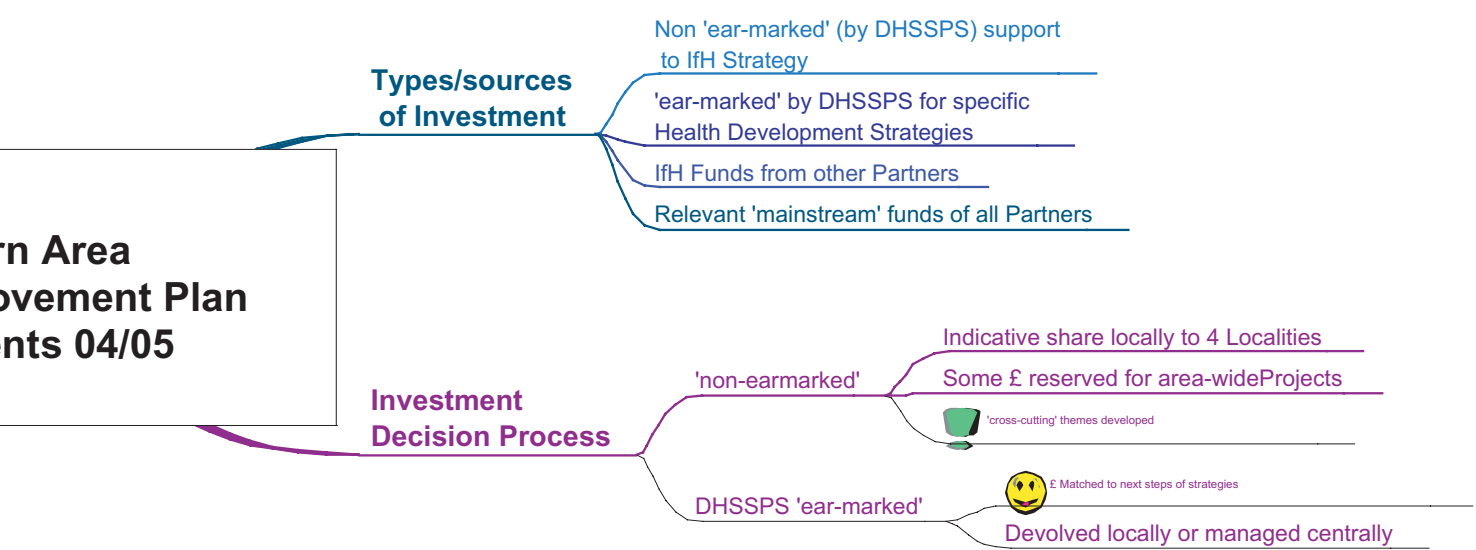
**Investment
themes:**

The Eastern Area IFH Partnership has an established process for the allocation of available funding. This involves the IFH Manager closely liaising with key Partners, including the EHSSB, South and East Belfast Health and Social Care Group and SEBT to identify Organisations whose work is consistent with the Strategy. Following agreement Organisations are required to submit a Proposal using the existing Application Forms. Funding proposals are required to meet the 5 criteria set out in the 2003/08 Strategy. Successful applicants are required to develop and sign a Contract with the EHSSB. This Contract will specify the relevant targets the organisation will be expected to deliver. Recurrent Funding has been placed with a number of Organisations through this process to date. These include; Engage with Age, South Belfast Drugs Outreach Project Opportunity Youth/Contact Youth and SEBT Community Development.

Eastern Area Health Improvement Plan Investment



Health Improvement Plans 2004/05



Investments 2004/05 and 2005/06

Although the Investing for Health Strategy is cross Departmental, the DHSSPS is accountable for Finance specifically allocated for the Strategy. In order for the determinants of health to be addressed, it is necessary for these resources to be aligned as closely as possible to the resources provided down other ministerial lines for specific issues central to the Strategy.

Separate Mind Maps are provided for each of the 2004/05 and 2005/06 financial years; they have the same structure although some of the details are different.

Types/sources of investment.

The DHSSPS has provided two types of investment; 'non-earmarked' i.e. for general support for the Strategy via IfH Partnership work and 'ear-marked' i.e. to be dedicated to specific named Strategies. The majority of this resource has been non-recurrent i.e. it is only guaranteed as available for one year and must be spent in that time. Other Partners have on occasions been able to add in a targeted way to the resources available. In addition the very significant 'mainstream' resources of a whole range of Government Departments can have beneficial health effects, especially if the staff deploying the resources know of that potential.

Investment Decision Process

In relation to the process for decision-making about the IfH resources, those which are not earmarked are divided across the 4 Localities with a proportion reserved for projects that are relevant across the Eastern Area. Those resources earmarked for specific Strategies are directed for that purpose and are either managed at Eastern area or local level depending on the Strategy.

Investment Themes

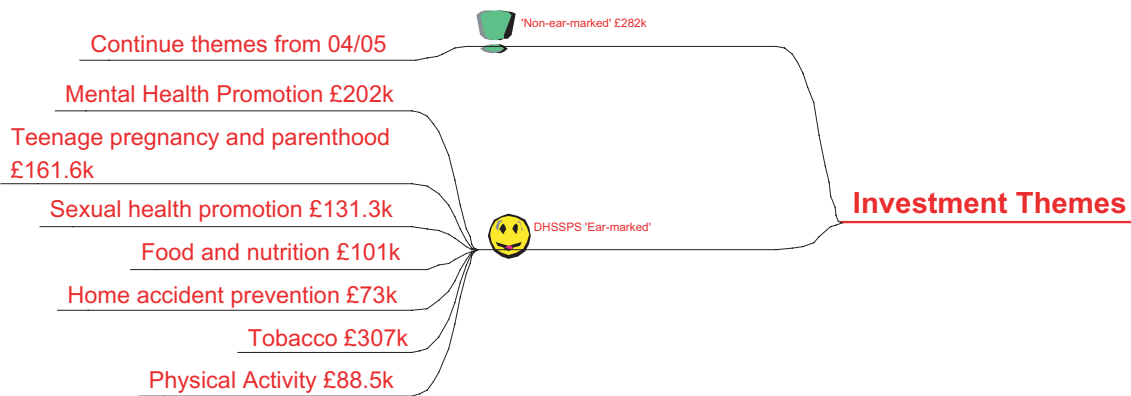
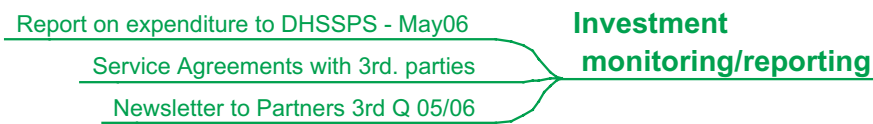
For expenditure of non-earmarked IfH resources, a small number of 'capacity building' themes were chosen after many discussions with a wide variety of Partners. These themes cut across Objectives and Localities and are intended to help Partners to take a health development approach to their day-to-day and strategic work. The earmarked resources were directed at the specific strategies shown for 2004/05 and will once again

be directed as required for 2005/06. Most of the issues from 04/05 are carried over to 05/06 but some more have been added. Process for deploying the resources will be developed but this is more difficult in relation to non-recurrent resources which normally cannot be used to develop infrastructure.

Investment monitoring/reporting

The Eastern Board is accountable for specific IfH allocations from DHSSPS and, therefore, reports investment intentions and final deployment of resources in due course. Resources allocated to 3rd parties are subject to a formal service agreement indicating outputs and the linkage of the resource to the particular aspect(s) of the IfH Strategy. Where it has been possible to tie these resources to those from other Partners, this is also identified.

Eastern Area Plan Investment



Health Improvement Plans 2005/06

Eastern Area Improvement Plan 2005/06

Types/sources of investment

- Non-earmarked by DHSSPS to support IfH Partnerships
- Earmarked by DHSSPS for specific Health Development strategies
- IfH Funds from other Partners
- Relevant 'mainstream' funds from all Partners

Investment decision process

- 'Non-ear-marked'
 - Indicative share to 4 Localities
 - Some reserved for Eastern Area Projects
 - 04/05 cross-cutting Themes maintained
- 'Ear-marked' (smiley face icon)
 - Matched to next steps of existing strategies
 - Implementation for new strategies to be agreed
 - Devolved locally or managed centrally

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