How LAA's Can Help Through The Recession

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What is your LAA *Really* about?

- It is an agreement between LSPs and Government
- It is an agreement between all partners around the LSP table about OUTCOMES
- It is a mechanism to hold each partner and partnership to account
- It is about Local responsibility

What it is *not* about

- Central Government telling local areas what to do
- The LA telling people what **IT'S** priorities are
- Public Sector organisations seeing it as **their** document

What is it based on?

- Effective dialogue with all partners in the development process

WHICH LEADS TO ...

- Shared analysis based on better Local Intelligence
- Meaningful Socio economic analysis
- Shared information systems

Which in turn leads to …

- Discussion and agreement on the most effective approaches to local problems
- The real sharing of responsibility for delivery actions across all partners, including business sector partners
- Shared performance management systems and delivery plans, including voluntary and private sector

What about the recession?

- Cuts in public sector funding will require better use of public sector funds
- Need to have agreement on what shared outcomes are required for your area.
- These should be in your LAA
- Best use of funds must be based on best use of information, which must be across the board, including private and voluntary sector

Strategic Commissioning

"A strategic approach to commissioning and delivering community-based outcomes requires public bodies across a community to step back and take an overall view of their role in a locality… It is about imagining and delivering new solutions that do not yet exist and being prepared for challenges to emerge"

Strategic Commissioning

- Will be vital as an approach to recovery
- Is based on shared outcomes
- Based on shared delivery
- Based on shared intelligence
- Based on shared information
- Based on acknowledgement of different roles within partnership

Local Intelligence

- Partnership response based on sound information
- Listen to those that know (Not always who you think)
- Understand your Key partnerships – Economic Partnership, City Employment and Skills Partnership- They are the experts

Partnership Responses

- Business Lifebelt Scheme
- Everyone understanding their contribution – e.g. The Police
- Willingness to explore joint commissioning
- Open discussion – putting politics to one side

The Value of the Partnership

- LSP Needs to be inclusive- it is now that the fruits of our labour are borne
- Need to be lithe and responsive- lessons to be learned from private businesses rather than public sector
- This is a test for the partnerships – can they demonstrate added value?
- If there is a good quality, evidence based strategy shared vision, linked to delivery, the LAA will take this forward

THANK YOU

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