

London Haringey - Initiative for White Hart Lane



Pilot project area

White Hart Lane is in North Tottenham, close to the boundary with the London Borough of Enfield. It is amongst the 5% most deprived wards in England overall, ranking 136th nationally under the UK Government's Indices of Deprivation. Despite this assessment, because of the area's predominantly residential character and relative isolation from local centres of development opportunity, it has not benefited in the past from specific regeneration funding. The ward is largely residential with "cottage style" low-rise family properties, built as public housing in the 1920s and 1930s. Unlike many parts of Tottenham it retains a significant predominantly white working-class population, many of whom have lived in the area for several generations.

Overall goal

The initiative is focussing on the four main issues identified by residents. Most important issues are anti-social and criminal behaviour, young and older people, improvement of the living environment. The overall goal is to make WHL a safe and pleasant place where people choose to live.

Target group

Residents, partner agencies, other Council departments, local schools, voluntary groups, businesses, social and cultural institutions.

Steps

Neighbourhood Management in WHL is currently working with the target group identified above on a number of different projects, all of which fit into the four main issues identified by residents. These include setting up a WHL Steering Group, outreaching work to support formation of more residents' associations, a community planning event and an annual "WHL Summer Fun" programme. Ongoing work with the local police and other partners tackles anti-social and criminal behaviour. This will be achieved by having meetings, networking, social events and sharing intelligence and ideas with members of the target group. (by Sue Grant)

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