

# Every Child Matters

Working together to improve the  
quality of life for children and  
young people in Tower Hamlets

# Developing A Plan For The Future

- Children Act 2004 – an opportunity
- We are building on good foundations – there is much that is going well

- Local public services will be judged on success in five key outcome areas

| Community Plan Themes              | Key Outcome Areas            |
|------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| LIVING WELL →                      | BE HEALTHY                   |
| LIVING SAFELY →                    | STAY SAFE                    |
| LEARNING ACHIEVEMENT AND LEISURE → | ENJOY AND ACHIEVE            |
| CREATING AND SHARING PROSPERITY →  | ACHIEVE ECONOMIC WELLBEING   |
| EXCELLENT PUBLIC SERVICES →        | MAKE A POSITIVE CONTRIBUTION |

# Succeeding Against The Odds

- Our children are achieving the national average at KS2
- 51% pupils achieved 5 GCSE grades A\*-C in 2005 (26% in 1996)
- One of only four authorities nationally to get a 4 in all four categories in the recent Annual Performance Assessment (APA) of Education and Children's Social Care

# Forces

**PUSH**

- **Appetite for information**
- **Drive for efficiency**
- **Alignment of accountability framework**

- **Local ambition**
- **Authentic voice of children and community**
- **Local solutions to common issues**

**PULL**

# Reaction

- Early Intervention
- Partnerships at a new level
- Commissioning at the 'centre'

# Our approach ...

- Accelerated improvement of universal services
- Promote opportunity, prevent problems and act early
- Modelling and encouraging enterprising leadership
- Shared responsibility for children's well-being
- Listening hard, and engaging, children, young people and their families
- Building on our community planning
- Using our LSP

# Our behaviours ...

## To achieve the best outcomes we need to:

- Be ambitious
- Understand and use the approaches which work best
- Work more closely together
- Continue to develop all our skills
- Involve young people in service design
- Offer young people choice and good access