

The Local Community Development Programme is the successor to the Local Development Social Inclusion Programme and the Community Development Programme and forms part of the National Development Plan 2007-2013.

Aim

The Local and Community Development Programme aims to tackle poverty and social exclusion through partnership and constructive engagement between Government and its agencies and people in disadvantaged communities.

Target Groups/Areas

The programme prioritises marginalised people and groups within the most disadvantaged communities, which means that it targets those furthest from access to education, training and employment, and those at highest risk of social exclusion. The programme will continue to work with the target groups/areas and issues as prioritised under the previous programmes based on an identification and demonstration of analysis of local need.



Goal 1

Objective 1

Raise awareness and knowledge of services in the local community

Increased awareness, knowledge and willingness to use local services

Objective 2

Develop and sustain strategies and mechanisms for improved access to local services

Increased uptake of a wide range of services within local communities.

Objective 3

Develop and sustain strategies and mechanisms to better coordinate local services

Increased and improved joint planning and delivery between local service providers.

Goal 2 Increase access to formal and informal educational, recreational and cultural activities and resources

Objective 1

Work with providers to improve access to a wide range of opportunities

Increased accessibility of educational, recreational and cultural activities

Objective 2

Increase awareness and support access to develop opportunities for learning and development

Increased uptake of a wide range of educational, recreational and cultural activities

Goal 3 Increase in peoples work readiness

Objective 1

Develop and sustain a range of services to support, prepare, and assist people to enter the labour market.

People are better prepared for the labour market

Objective 2

Develop and sustain strategies with local enterprises to increase local employment prospects

Local strategy in place to develop local employment and self-

Objective 3

Develop and sustain strategies to increase local self employment prospects

Goal 4 Promote engagement with policy, practice, and decision making processes on matters affecting local communities

Objective 1

Promote dialogue between funders, providers and local communities

1. Effective structures and processes in place for dialogue between policy makers, providers and local communities

Greater engagement in policy and decision making processes by the community

Objective 2

Develop and sustain opportunities for communities of place and interest to identify issues and voice concerns

Improved understanding of local community concerns and priorities by policy makers and service providers