

Cabinet Member for Communities Safety & Justice

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Cabinet Portfolio

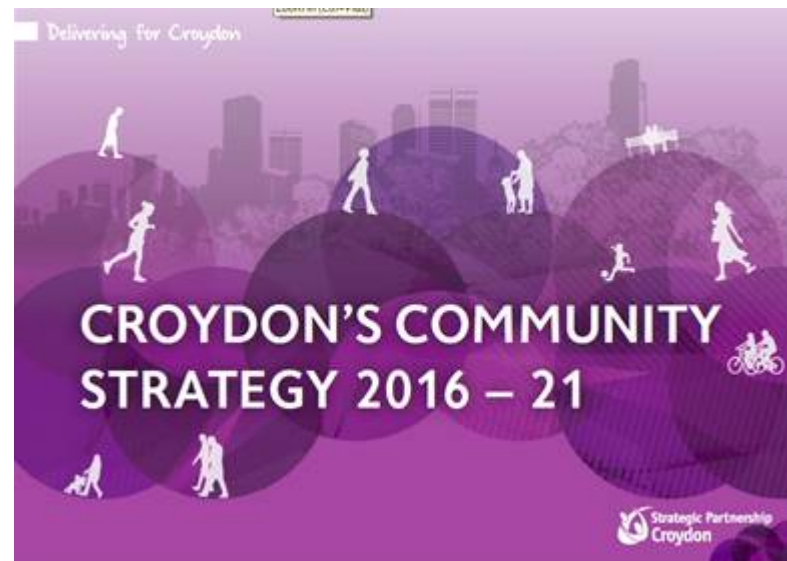
- Community safety (substantive agenda item)
- Community and voluntary sector – including *Community Fund* (voluntary sector commissioning)
- Local Strategic Partnership – Congress, Safer Croydon Board, Stronger Communities Partnership Board
- Croydon Opportunity and Fairness Commission (implementation)
- Equality and diversity
- Financial inclusion
- Contact Centre and Access Croydon
- Regulatory services (including licensing, trading standards and food safety)
- Social security reform

Croydon Opportunity & Fairness Commission

- Vibrant responsible & connected communities
- A town centre that lifts the whole borough
- Leaving no child behind
- A connected borough where no one is isolated
- Finding homes for all
- Supporting residents to better times



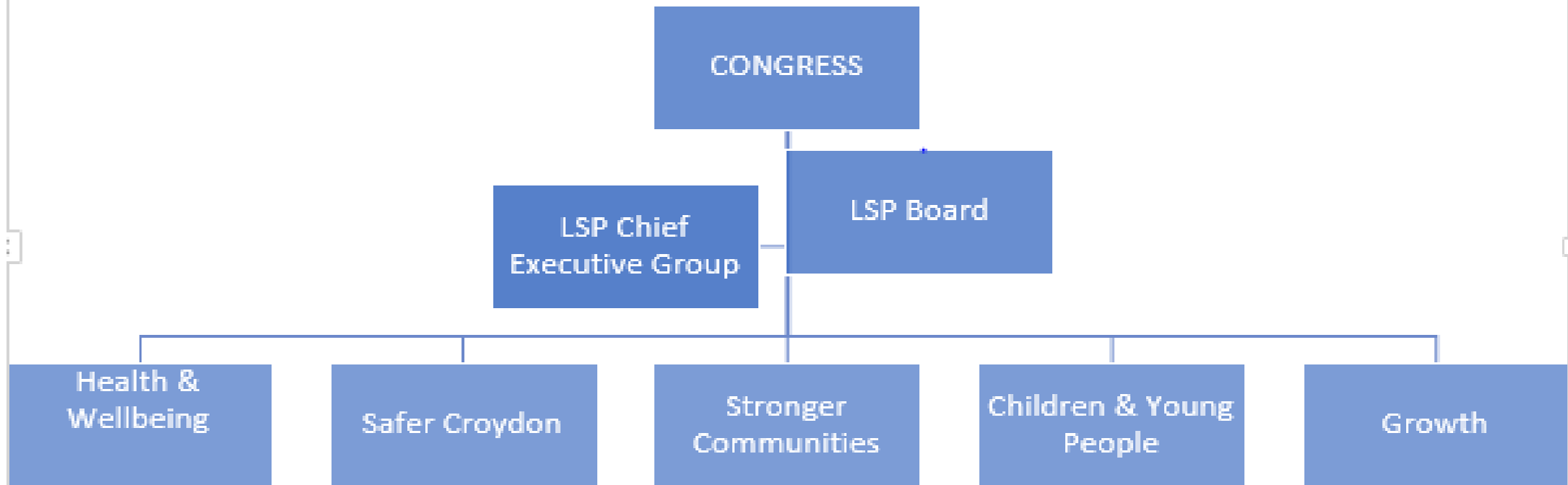
Croydon Opportunity & Fairness Commission



Working with communities



Local Strategic Partnership Review



Equality and Diversity

- New equality policy and objectives part of corporate performance framework
- Process to accredit to the Equality Framework for Local Government underway
- Culture Board driving internal council agenda to improve the representation of diversity at all levels



**EQUALITY
FRAMEWORK
FOR LOCAL
GOVERNMENT**

Gateway services and welfare benefit reform

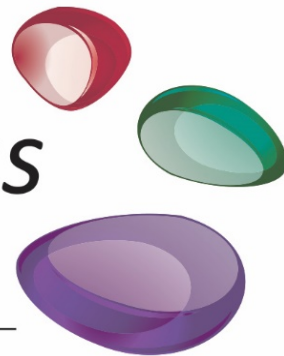
- Secured £400,000 in funding from central Government to mitigate the impact of the roll out of Universal Credit (UC)
- The Gateway Service has helped over 5,630 households with range of different financial and housing support
- Increasingly influential voice with government – given evidence at the Work and Pensions Committee as part of their review of UC

Financial Inclusion – Croydon Plus

- Signposting
- Engagement
- Community opportunities

Croydon Plus

SAVINGS & LOANS FOR PEOPLE
IN CROYDON, MERTON & SUTTON



	Nov 15	Feb 17
Membership	3,252	3,897 (20% increase)
Junior members	164	183 (12% increase)
Loans o/s	923	1,004 (9% increase)
Operating profit	£45k loss (year end Sept 15)	£57k profit (year end Sept 16)
General <u>reserves</u>	£6k	£51k

Community Safety

- Mayor of London's Police and Crime Plan – new performance regime, borough mergers, neighbourhood policing
- New community safety strategy for Croydon
- Safer Croydon Board Governance
- London Crime Prevention Fund - impact of regional MOPAC commissioning (30% top slice of Croydon grant)
- Public Space Protection Order (PSPO)
- Town Centre – rapid response together with longer term planning