

Outcome Based Accountability Workshop: Teenage Pregnancy In Wigan

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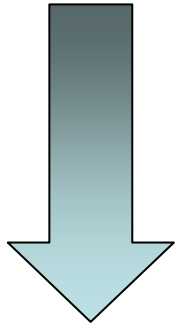
Why Teenage Pregnancy Matters

Deprivation is both a cause and a consequence of teenage pregnancy

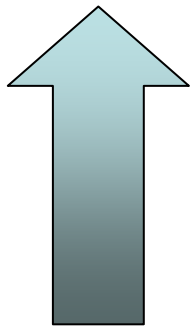
‘Tackling teenage pregnancy is absolutely central to the Government’s wider drive to tackle social exclusion and poverty.’

(Beverley Hughes 2007)

National and Local Targets

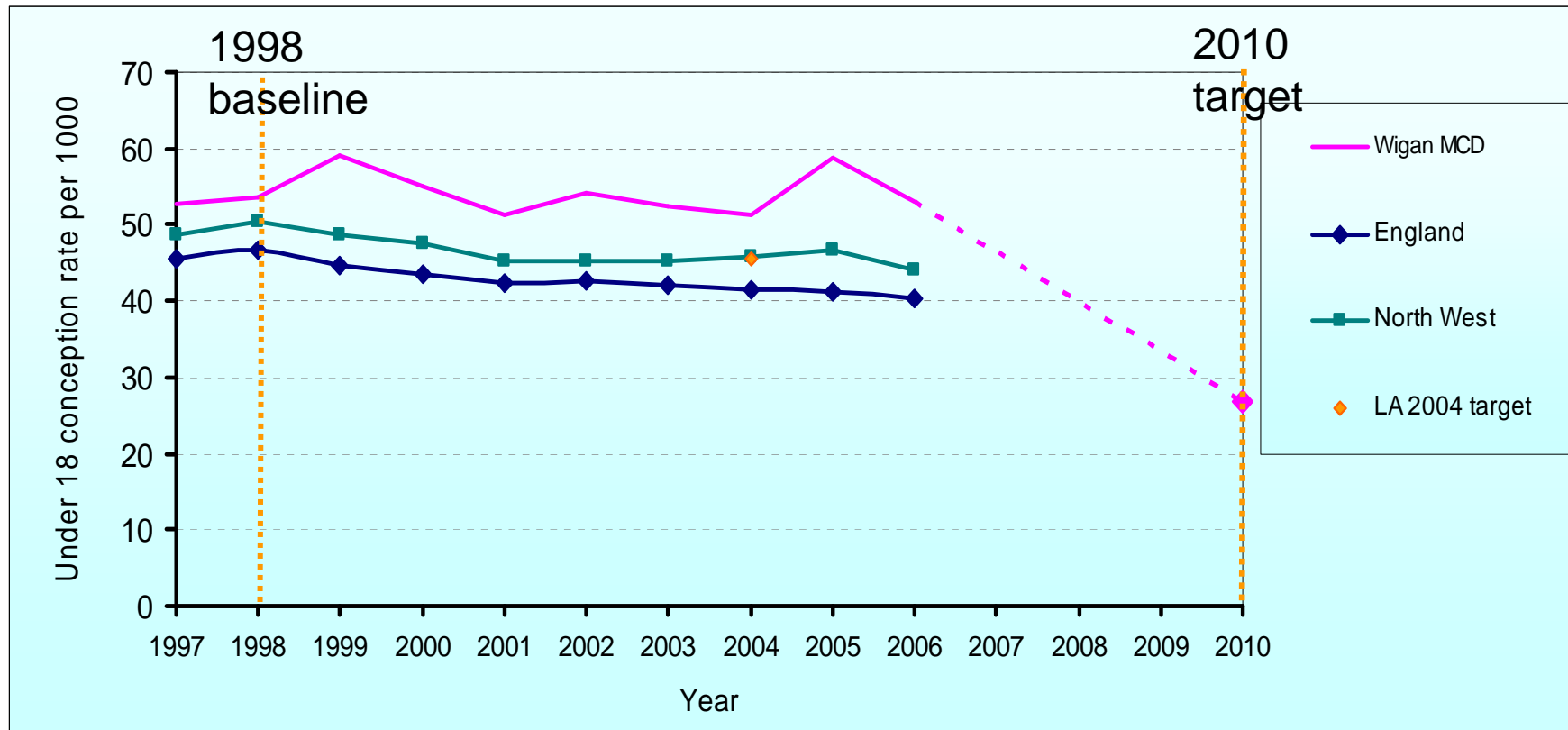


50% reduction in the under 18 conception rate by 2010

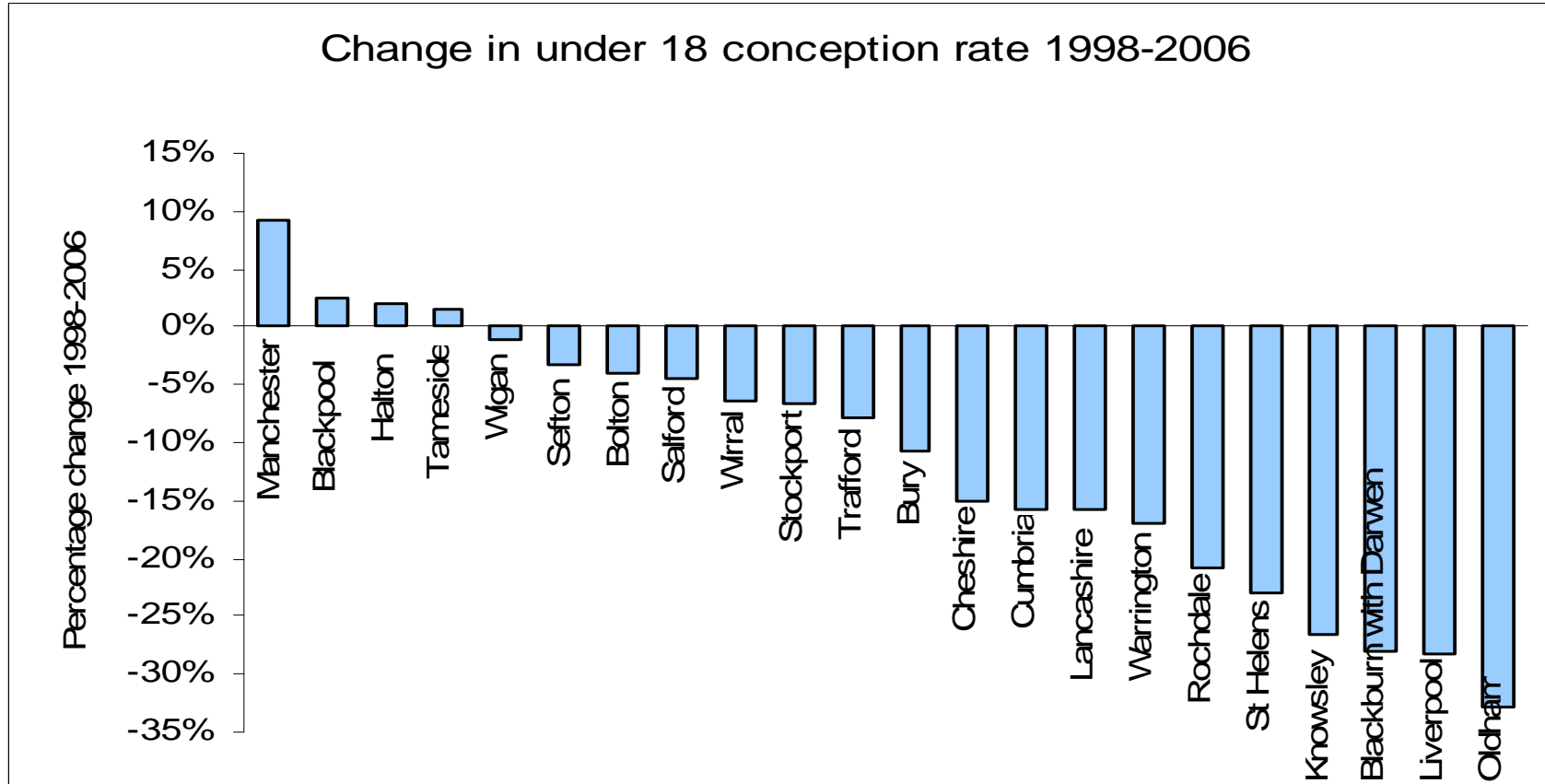


60% of teenage mothers in education, employment or training by 2010

Progress to Date: Under 18 Conception Rates 2006



North West Progress



Teenage Pregnancy Unit Traffic Light Ratings

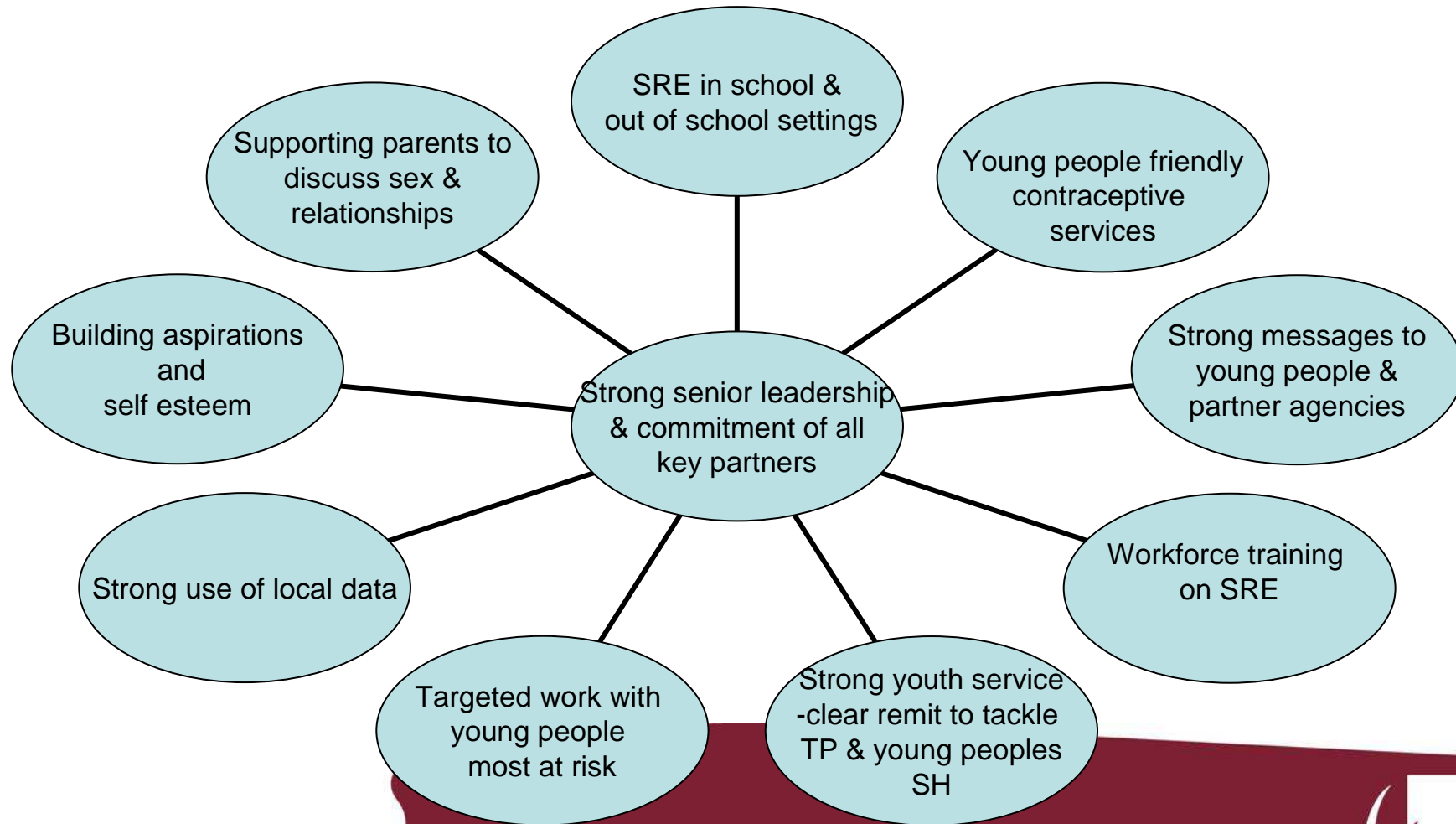
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**Significantly different from the expected
position**

Ministerial High Focus Area

- Wigan national high focus area
- 1 of 22 nationally
- 8 new focus areas
- 6 North West areas
- 5 Greater Manchester areas

10 Key Factors for Success



Wigan 'Deep Dive'

- Re-evaluated the local picture & our current strategy
- Identified strengths & gaps in strategy
- Refocus resources
- Prioritise key high focus areas

Key Local Priorities

- **Universal provision, but focus on targeted services to young people most at risk – supported by robust local data**
- Young people friendly Contraceptive/Sexual Health Services - delivered across a broad range of settings
- Sex & Relationship Education - in school & non school settings
- Development of Targeted Youth Support related to sexual health
- Development of a TP Communications Strategy

Local Initiatives

Include:

- Brook
- Tic Tac bus
- C Card Scheme
- Targeted outreach
- Clinic in a Box
- PSHE& C - SRE support and audits
- Health Zone @ RoseBridge
- Chlamydia Screening Programme
- The Great Debate
- Summer Universities'
- Award winning Young Parents Support Team
- Prevention and Support Operational Groups

Delaying 1st Sex

- R U Ready
- Not the silver ring thing!
- Evidenced based - links to the European experience
- Links to respect
- SRE central
- www.ruready2.com

The challenge ahead....

- Mainstreaming teenage pregnancy actions into key partner strategies, plans & programmes
- Recognising the interdependencies between teenage pregnancy & improving other outcomes for children and young people
- Making teenage pregnancy everyone's business

....reasons to be cheerful

- Half national rate of repeat teenage abortions
- Half national rate of second births to teenage mothers
- Nationally fourth highest take up of Care To Learn childcare funding
- We know what works...and change is possible
- **Success benefits everyone**