

Strategic Regulation on the Agenda



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Getting Strategic Regulation on the Devolution Agenda

- Place Making
- How did Regulation form part of the Devolution Agenda?
- What are we trying to achieve?
- Where are we now?



Place

- Regulation has historically shaped place.
- Local Authorities are key to influencing their area.
- Are we regulators or influencers?
- Changing landscape mean we need others to partner with us to see economic well being



Get in on the Act

Cities and Local Government Devolution Act 2016:

- Part 3 - Combined Authorities: Additional Functions
- Section 6 enables combined authorities to exercise functions other than economic development, regeneration and transport
- Section 7 provides for a public authority function to be undertaken by the Combined Authority if this improves the exercise of statutory functions.



Devolution



Devolution agreement between the North East Combined Authority Leadership Board and the Government to move forward with a radical devolution of funding, powers and responsibilities.



Getting Regulation on the Agenda

- Local powers for local problems
- London control
- Being Responsive



What were we trying to achieve.....

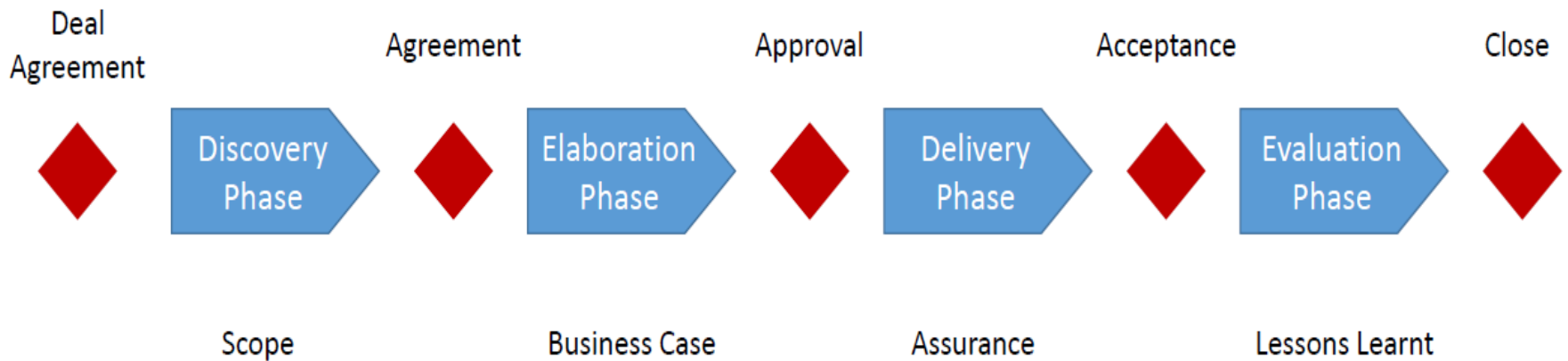
- A strategic approach to regulation which will assist in improving the economy, health and environment of local communities.
- Achieved by facilitating effective partnership working to protect and improve the environment, health and wellbeing of local communities whilst supporting local businesses to achieve sustainable economic growth with the best possible compliance outcomes.

Review of Regulatory Powers

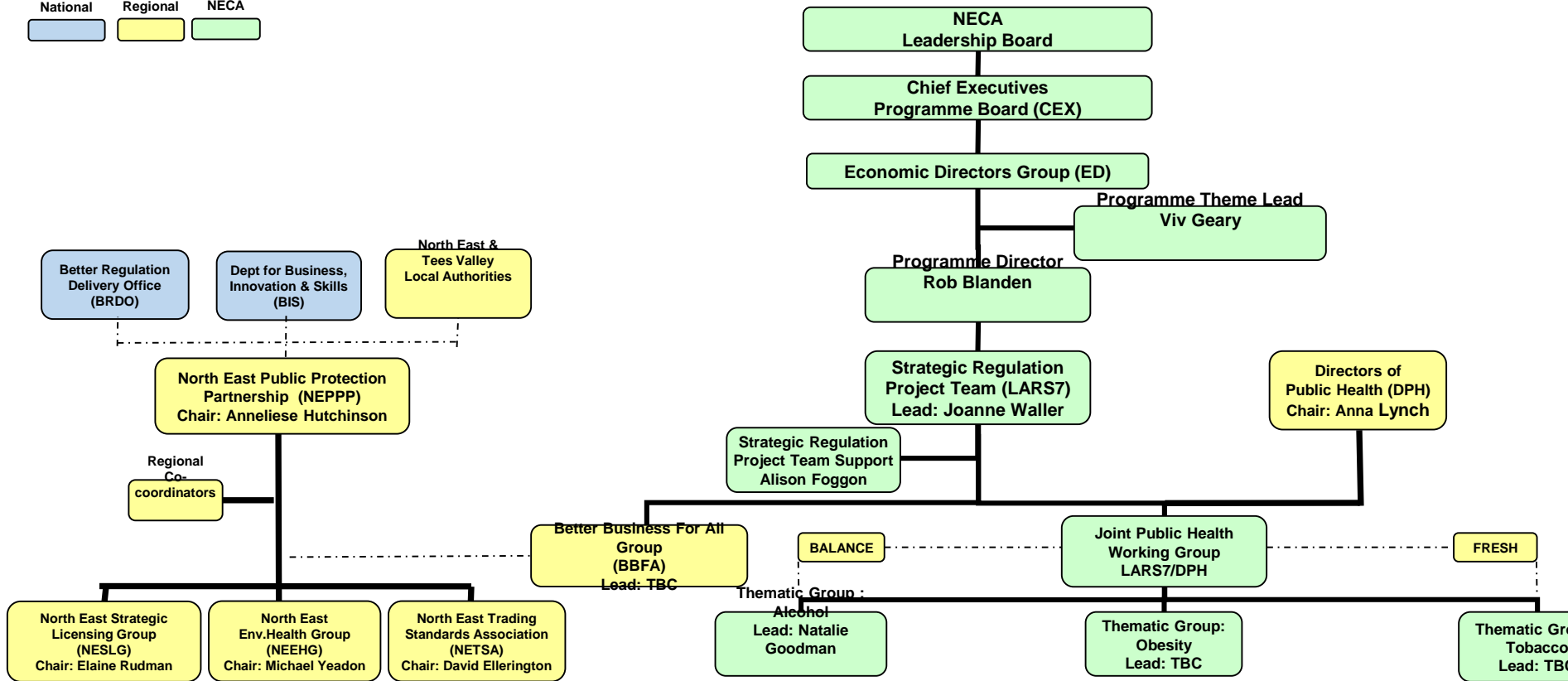
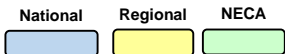
Devolving regulatory, planning and licencing powers that are currently held by ministers and public authorities including those that.

- support the Combined Authority's transport, regeneration and housing functions;
- promote safe and high quality neighbourhoods and town centres;
- support housing growth;
- support improvements in the quality of housing and challenging poor quality landlords; and
- promote public health improvements by addressing obesity, smoking and alcohol misuse.

NECA Work Programme



Writing Ourselves Into the Plan!



What we were trying to achieve

- Culture Shift
- Local Simplified Regulation
- Place Shaping
- Local People
- Local Growth
- Sustainable Public Services



Expected Outcomes

- Outcome 1: Strategic, innovative and beneficial use of local authority regulatory powers which promote the wellbeing of our communities and citizens.
- Outcome 2: Local Authority Regulatory Services play a key role in the development of regional strategies and local policies concerning the wider agenda of public health, community safety, economic development and environmental sustainability.
- Outcome 3 Local communities are empowered to contribute to local decision making around place shaping.
- Outcome 4: Local authorities are given relevant regulatory powers to assist them in maintaining and improving the local environment, transport and housing as well as reduce inequalities in health and anti-social behaviour.

What Have we achieved

- Strong Leadership
- Seeing the bigger picture
- Outcome focused
- Modern ways of working
- Innovation and Creativity
- Working in partnership
- A commitment to support business and economic growth
- Better use of expertise and resources

Actively contributing to wider agendas:-

- Public Health and Social Care (alcohol, obesity, tobacco)
- Local economy (jobs, town centres, investment & growth)
- Safeguarding (CSE, taxis)
- Crime and Disorder (anti social behaviour)
- Strategic Transport (air quality)
- Environment Protection (street scene)
- Housing and Regeneration (more and better homes, accreditation and licensing schemes)



Encouraging Local Economic Growth

- Better Business for All
- Reducing Regulatory Burdens
- Consistent and trusted advice
- Primary Authority
- Targeted enforcement
- Fair and Competitive trading environments



Some Geordie inspiration...



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