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Title of paper	Priority Setting for 2009/2010
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Action required	Matters for discussions/decision: To agree on the 3 or 4 priorities for the year
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1. Following the Executive Committee meeting on Monday 16th February 2009 a number of organisations and individuals were written to inviting suggestions on priority areas for the Wandsworth LINK to work through for the coming year. The deadline for responses was Monday 16th March 2009.
2. A total of 29 suggestions were received.
3. The scoring system that was adopted was using the criteria of '**impact, do-able and general importance with broad applicability**'. The scores applied were on a scale of 0-5, with 0 = low priority and 5 = high priority. The panel for scoring consisted of the LINK Chair, Host Director and two Host staff who went through all priority suggestions received.
4. Each panel member scored the suggested priorities individually and then as a collective each priority was scored with an average. As a collective the panel identified a number of suggested priorities that were a matter of process rather than priority and for this reason they were not included for scoring.
5. The Chair's sub group were presented with Appendix A in order to scrutinise and reduce the list down. Following discussions the 6 priorities were selected as a shortlist by the Chair's Group;
 - 5.1 There is a gap of representation if with no user led group for people with disabilities, chronic illness & sensory impairment. So we will promote the case for a group to represent these service users. **Social Care**
 - 5.2 Transforming adult social care service (personalised care). We will ensure a stronger service user & carer perspective informs these changes in the way care services are delivered **Social Care**.
 - 5.3 Providing timely community services after hospital discharge – procedures for older patients who have been taken into hospital (e.g. St Georges) and whom the hospital decide are ready to move on. To explore the rules & protocols that govern the process and how dignity & choice are preserved. **Health & Social Care**
 - 5.4 Develop effective strategy and processes for Wandsworth LINKs involvement and engagement with service users, carers and patients (and groups) to ensure a strong voice for service users, carers and patients in the development of services. **Health & Social Care**
 - 5.5 Review of Maternity Services. **Health**
 - 5.6 Managing & inputting to Health Consultations to include:
 - Primary Care & polyclinics
 - Stroke Centres
 - Sexual Health
 - Children's Health**Health**
6. It was felt these suggestions had a balance between broad and more focused issues in health and social care.
7. The full Executive Committee are now being asked to decide on its final 3 or 4 priorities for the next year.