



Walsall Council

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Walsall Children's Services Primary Strategy

Increasing the percentage of Walsall
schools that are judged good or better

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A stylized line drawing of three figures holding hands, positioned above the slogan. The figures are simple outlines with circular heads and leaf-like shapes for arms and legs.

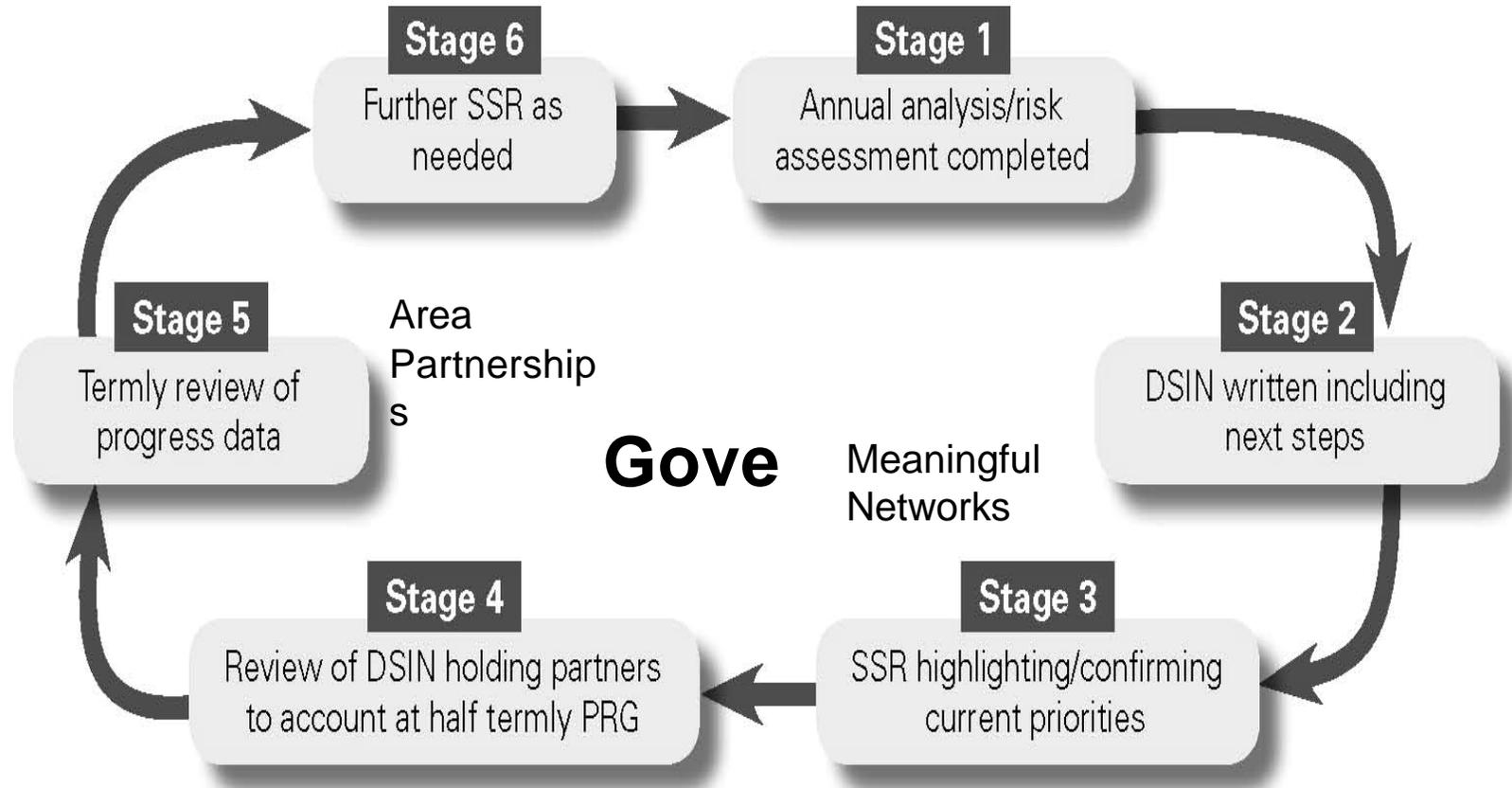
"My Walsall, my future"



Current state of play (October 2011)

- 8/8 Nursery schools are good+
- 9/9 Infant schools are good+
- 3/9 Junior schools are good+
- 35/68 Primary schools are satisfactory
- 1 Notice to Improve (Nti)
- 11/35 Gove schools

Our Methodology



Key:
SSR – Supported Self Review
DSIN – Diagnosis, Support, Impact, Next Steps
PRG – Partnership Review Group



Impact

KS2 Provisional Results Summary 2011

- Level 4+ in English and mathematics combined – 75% (above national).
- Level 4+ in English – 82% (above national).
- Level 4+ in mathematics – 80% (at national).
- These are the best results schools in Walsall have ever achieved.
- The biggest improvement for Walsall compared with other Local Authorities was in ‘writing’ where Walsall jumped 25 places to 36th position overall.
- When comparing with our ‘like’ (statistical neighbour) local authorities, Walsall is ranked 3rd out of 11, for the percentage of pupils achieving L4+ English and mathematics combined.



Impact

- Since 2005 11 primary schools have been judged inadequate. In 2011 only one remains and this should be removed from category by December 2012
- Since **September 2011** (published Ofsted reports) 2 schools dipped from good to satisfactory and 2 improved from satisfactory to good+



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Key changes:

In judging the quality of the school, Ofsted inspectors will make four key judgements:

- Achievement
- The quality of teaching
- Behaviour and safety
- Leadership and management

Focus on narrowing gaps based on Value added measures