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Dear Nick

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**OLDHAM PARTNERSHIP : GONW FEEDBACK ON
PMF 2006**

I enclose a copy of our report on your Performance Management Framework (PMF) 2006 self-assessment.

I am grateful to you and your partners for all the work which you have put into this year's review and hope that you have found the process of benefit.

The focus of this year's LSP PMF assessment has been on delivery, in particular delivery against the 6 key NR themes of Health, Worklessness, Education, Crime, Housing and Liveability. The NRU's Guidance on self assessment made clear that it was asking partners to assess progress being made towards meeting the floor target and narrowing the gap between the Borough and national performance. In addition, LSPs were asked to assess performance on narrowing the gap between the most deprived areas (and most deprived groupings) and the Borough as a whole. Evidence of strong progress in all of these four areas was needed to support a green traffic light for each theme. This was challenging.

Because of this focus on delivery, the composition of scores needed to secure an overall green assessment focussed more on the themes and less on partnership working. In addition the total needed to secure an overall green was raised. As a consequence, your partnership's overall assessment of

- Amber Green, reflects good overall progress with particular strengths in improving educational attainment, reducing crime and partnership working with Rochdale on Housing Market Renewal and further progress in reducing inequalities.

The overall assessments for LSPs have now been shared with Ministers and a decision on confirmation of your NRF allocation for 2007/8 is expected shortly

The intention is for LSP PMF to be subsumed within the LAA PMF in due course, timing of this still to be confirmed. The focus on NR will remain strong and the 6 mandatory NR outcomes will need to be embedded within the LAA, supported by baselines and targets to demonstrate that the gap will be narrowed between neighbourhoods/groups and the Borough.



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If you have any queries re your assessment please speak to Kevin Cooke on 0161 952 4208.

I am copying this letter to Andrew Kilburn and John Eley.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "M Greenwood".

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