

# **Comprehensive Area Assessment**

## **- Fit with JSNAs**

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# What is CAA?

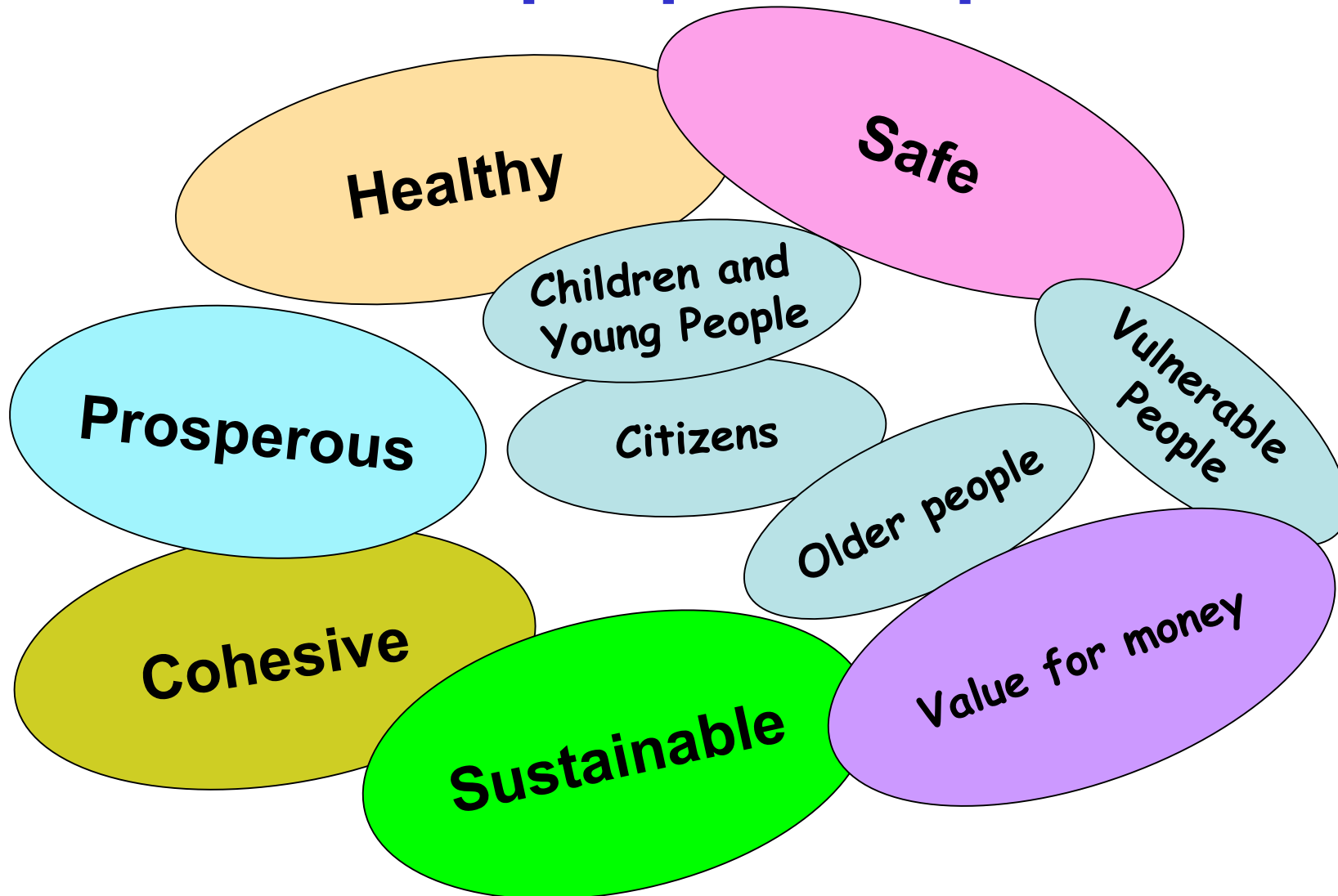
- Catalyst for better local outcomes, more responsive services and better value for money
- Source of independent assurance for citizens, service users and taxpayers
- Independent evidence base for central government on progress against national priorities
- Means of rationalising and coordinating inspection – joint assessment
- Based on the area, not just organisations



# Why CAA?

- Reflect the new landscape of PSAs, LAAs, National Indicator Set
- Build on better performance of local government and increasing capacity for sector self-improvement
- Address the gap between assessed performance and citizen perceptions
- Focus on outcomes, and the drivers of better places
- Use reduced inspection resource more intelligently

# It's all about people and places





# CAA Themes – Fit with JSNA

## How well do local partners:

- Understand the needs and aspirations of their diverse communities?
- Deliver outcomes and improvement?
- What are the future prospects for the area?

## JSNA – Questions to be answered



But also more importantly about the future:





# JSNA Role

Strategic glue for partners to:

- Agree priority needs for area population
- Develop resource plans to optimise improvements
- Use limited resources efficiently and effectively to maximum population benefit
- Governance method to provide guide for LAA/VS work
- Assist development of projects/performance management - agree milestones & objectives /benefits expected
- Supports scrutiny and challenge across partners & communities to ensure progress is real and represents VFM



# What do we see as a “good” JSNA?

- **OWNERSHIP**
  - Engages and enthuses partners equally
  - “Genuinely joint” – full ownership between Council and PCT and at all levels within the organisations not just the DPH/Board/Cabinet!
- **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**
  - Evidence of early and pro-active engagement
  - Clarity on involvement of seldom heard/hard to reach/vulnerable groups
  - Captures a consensus on the social, economic & health needs of the population
- **COMMUNICATION**
  - Uses plain English to aid delivery, accountability and public understanding



# CAA Themes – Fit with JSNA

- Understand the needs and aspirations of their diverse communities?
  - JSNA input to sustainable communities strategy and LAA?  
Including community engagement. Also focus on the needs of the vulnerable and inequality
- Deliver outcomes and improvement?
  - JSNA informs commissioning decisions which in turn lead to improved health and wellbeing and reducing inequalities for all
- What are the future prospects for the area?
  - Updating JSNA, outputs of JSNA, true partnership engagement, expressed outcomes measure return on investment - vfm



# Timeline

June – start second phase of 10 trial sites

July – publish next consultation document

Dec/Jan – publish final CAA framework

Feb 09 – publish final CPA results

Oct/Nov 09 – publish first CAA reports