

NORTH SUNDERLAND AREA COMMITTEE

21st November 2011

REPORT OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE

COMMUNITY ACTION IN SUNDERLAND NORTH – PROGRESS REVIEW Workplan 2011/2012 – ACTIVITIES FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

1. Why has it come to Committee?

- 1.1 The report provides an update of progress against agreed actions in the current years (2011/2012) workplan, **ANNEX 1**.

2. Redhouse Academy Youth Project

- 2.1 Alan Scott of the Youth Development Group attended the Activities for Young People Task and Finish Group to present a proposal to be developed for Committee for the delivery of area based youth activities from the Redhouse Academy Youth Centre.
- 2.2 The project proposal was to develop youth activities for the North area during the day, evening and weekend from the RHAY Centre in partnership with Redhouse Academy school.
- 2.3 The daytime activities would be targeted at NEET young people and those young people at risk of becoming NEET. The project would work in partnership with the secondary schools in the area and the Connexions service to identify and work with young people who would benefit from the service. The aim would be to follow the early intervention and prevention model to support these young people to learn in a different way, undertake educational activities, utilise volunteering opportunities and improve their employment opportunities.
- 2.4 The evening and weekend activities would be more generic youth provision but would offer an increased amount of activities for young people in the North area. These activities would also support the proposed daytime activities undertaken with hard to reach groups.
- 2.5 The Youth Development Group is currently working with partners to develop the full proposal and present a bid to Area Committee for SIB funding in January 2012.

3. Skate Park

- 3.1 A proposal is currently being developed to create a skate park for the North area at the Sunderland North Community Sports Complex site.
- 3.2 The proposal and costings will be developed based upon completion of remedial works of the existing BMX park, creation of a skate park and installation of lighting at the site.
- 3.3 Full details of the proposal will be presented to Committee at a later date for discussion.

Recommendations

- i) Note the content of the report.
- ii) Receive proposals and a funding application for the development of the Redhouse Youth Project.
- iii) Receive proposals for the development of a skate park

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