

Strategic Initiatives Budget: South Live Project Update
2nd June 2008

APPENDIX 1

2005/6 Project Allocations					
Project	Approval	Alloc. £k	Exp to date	Balance £k	Lead Agent
The Phoenix Project - Community Outreach Programme	31.10.05	6	1.6	4.4	The Phoenix Project
<p>SIB funding was provided from all six Area Committees to support the Phoenix Project. The project, led by the Fire Service, works in partnership with the Youth Offending Service, by delivering intensive work experience and courses to offenders. SIB funding will also contribute towards the refurbishment and upgrade of the Community Safety Centre at Sunderland Fire Station, by providing a lecture room in which a further 200 - 300 young people can access the courses on offer. This quarter expenditure has been on the various in house training courses which have taken place throughout the year, the purchase of equipment which has consisted of course materials, specialist clothing and footwear and fees connected with the refurbishment of the dedicated lecture room which is currently in the planning stages. The Planning application has been agreed and plans are being drawn up. Once these are complete and agreed the refurbishment will commence. Expenditure is ongoing and has been utilised from other areas first.</p>					
2007/8 Project Allocations					
Project	Approval	Alloc. £k	Exp to date	Balance £k	Lead Agent
Area Committee Marketing Project	05.03.07	8	0	8	Development & Regeneration
<p>Funding across all six areas to continue the provision of a dedicated marketing communications functions to all Area Committees. This will include developing a comprehensive phase two Communications Strategy which will maximise publicity for all SIB and Community Chest funded projects, continue to raise awareness of SIB and the projects supported by the fund and shape the range of applications being submitted. This will be achieved through various communications tools including, local press coverage, newsletters and display material at community and funding events.</p>					
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Get Fit at Farringdon	04.06.07	15	6.019	8.981	Farringdon Community Sports College
<p>Farringdon Community Sports College is a specialist sports college with a sports pavilion that has various facilities including a dance studio, computer suite, multi-use games area, meeting room and kitchen etc. SIB funding has been sought to promote better usage of the pavilion area at the school and to make the facilities already on offer, more accessible and available to parents, students and the wider community by contributing towards staffing and other related costs, to extend opening hours, provide opportunities to develop activities for young people during school holidays and evenings and to encourage other partner organisations such as the Jubilee Centre, SAFC and the A690 Youth Initiative Project to become involved. Over the last three months there have been 110 inductions and over 80 regular members attending the facilities. The tennis nets have been installed and the courts are available to the public every evening and a Saturday morning and the sports pavilion is up and running offering classes such as karate, yoga, dance, football training, tennis and keep fit. The project is ongoing.</p>					

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The A690 Youth Initiative	04.06.07	25.502	12.806	12.696	A690 Youth Initiative

SIB is continuing to contribute towards employing a full and part time youth worker for two sessions a week, to develop the 'Dreamscheme Initiative across Silksworth, Farringdon and Plains Farm. The scheme uses detached youth work methods to engage young people to become more involved in their communities. This quarter the Dream Scheme programme has worked closely with 35 young people which in turn has made a positive contribution to their local community, as they have taken an active role throughout the estates and have recently taken part in the developing a Charter for the Plains Farm Estate. In the Silksworth area the young people have participated in a tidy up around Silksworth Community Association to clean up their local area. As a result of the project young people from both Silksworth and Plains Farm were nominated and won the section for service to the community in the Young Achievers Awards 2008 and were presented with the award at the Stadium of Light in March and also received Citywide recognition for their hard work. The Dream Scheme's ongoing work includes working with young people from a Farringdon Estates to establish a good working relationship with them

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Chelmsford Street Community Safety Initiative	07.01.08	7.224	0.644	6.58	Chelmsford Street Residents Group

SIB funding has been sought to 'gate' Chelmsford Street, a private, non-adopted highway, by installing a fence and gate at either end of it, which will help to counter antisocial behaviour and vandalism by providing a secure fence line for the adjacent allotment site. Currently the plans for the erection of the metal fence, gate and brickwork were submitted to the City Council's Planning Department in March and the residents are awaiting a decision which is anticipated to be in June. Expenditure to date has been on planning and architects fees.

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Portland School Café Development	07.01.08	12.5	0	12.5	Portland School

Portland School has developed and piloted a café within the school environment which is additional to the normal school meals provision, which has proved popular with staff, pupils and after school community use, as it offers healthy options and promotes healthy eating at an affordable price. The project through the help of SIB funding will undertake a programme of capital works and expand the cafe to ensure it can deliver the school's extended and community services and continue to offer healthy eating options. It is hoped that once the expansion is complete the cafe facility will enable students to learn appropriate social skills in a safe setting before transferring those skills to the community. Along with helping the students it is also hoped that the wider community will also benefit from the increased facilities by educating and informing them about the importance of diet, exercise and lifestyle. This will be done by the installation of a computer fed TV in the cafe. Work is scheduled to commence in the school summer holidays and will be completed by the beginning of the new term in September.

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Silksworth Community Centre Safety Works Project	07.01.08	20	9.1	10.9	Silksworth Community Centre

The aim of the project is to carry out a programme of minor capital works to ensure the Community Centre is fit for purpose and is safe and secure for its users and will enable the expansion of existing activities and the development of new programmes. SIB will be used for electrical works, replacement of damaged ceilings, installation of storage areas, new internal doors, improvements to the heating system, painting and decoration and also new flooring. Currently the Community Association are working with local partners to develop local area based projects and initiatives to form the basis for further funding bids to extend the current programme of activities.

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Sunderland South Body Worn Video Units - Head Cams	03.03.08	1.980	0	1.980	Northumbria Police

This innovative 'Body Worn Video Unit' technology project, is intended to add operational, preventive, proactive, reassurance and criminal justice based value to the wider role of the South Area Neighbourhood Policing Team. It is anticipated that through the help of SIB funding to purchase four 'Body Worn Video Units - Head Cams' and two viewing units, that it will positively impact on the service delivery provided to residents and visitors to the area. The 'Head Cams' are a personal CCTV system, with a thumb sized camera attached to a headband linked to a digital video recorder, which has an easy to view LCD screen and hard drive, allowing instant playback of footage at crime scenes and permits storage of around 400 hours of footage which can be used in prosecutions.

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Farringdon Community Shop	03.03.08	3.940	1.678	2.262	Farringdon Community Shop

The Community Shop provides the local residents of Farringdon and the surrounding area a range of community services delivered from a dedicated shop unit, which provides much needed services to disadvantaged residents and enhances the effectiveness of the Resident's Association by improving accessibility to the group. The shop provides services such as a community clothing store which allows disadvantaged residents and low income families access to affordable, pre-owned clothing, along with a small grants scheme where any profits from the project are put back into the community in the form of small grants for residents such as away days, and social events etc and the shop also provides training and work experience by offering local unemployed people the opportunity to work in the shop to gain practical experience in retail, which in turn could lead to them gaining full time employment elsewhere. SIB will provide the community shop with six months gap funding to enable the services to continue whilst other funding streams are secured. Costs to date included rent, insurance and volunteer expenses.

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Silksworth Community Centre Kidz Club	03.03.08	10	2.112	7.888	Silksworth Community Association
<p>The Kidz Club is located within Silksworth Community Centre and provides activities for children up to the age of 13, during school term time and holiday times. Following the creation of a dedicated room at the centre, the project have sought SIB funding to develop and expand the existing programme of activities for the children and young people who attend the club and to encourage new members. As a result of the Kidz Club securing SIB funding it will enable them to consolidate the current activities, furnish the dedicated room, purchase equipment and develop a programme in response to the young people's requests, which include trips and excursions, play and sports equipment, pool table and art and craft sessions. Expenditure to date has been on the purchase of music equipment, transport and a residential trip to Low Mill Outdoor Centre, North Yorkshire on the 4th to 6th April.</p>					
Project	Approval	Alloc. £k	Exp to date	Balance £k	Lead Agent
Blind Lane & Silksowrth Road Environmental Improvements	03.03.08	8.680	1.944	6.736	Community & Cultural Services
<p>The project is to supply, install and maintain forty half hanging baskets on twenty lamp columns on Blind Lane and Silksworth Road, from June 2008 to September 2012. SIB funding will provide the capital costs for the installation and five years running costs.</p>					
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South Events Budget	04.06.07	10	2.5	7.5	Development & Regeneration
<p>Funding to enhance the support that the Committee is able to offer local groups operating in the area and currently has a major role in the work of the new South Forum, in bringing together community organisations and groups working and located in the South Area. Expenditure to date has been on 7 projects: a contribution towards a community 'Teddy Bear's Picnic' hosted by Friends of Doxford Park in June; the South Forum's 'A taste of the South Community Event in July; two excursions to Moorhouse Activity Centre for Silksworth Junior Club in August to provide young people who attend the club with motivating challenges; a contribution towards additional repairs and restoration works to Silksworth War Memorial; costs associated with a planning application to support the placing of CCTV in the vicinity of the Puma Centre site and Silksworth Lane to help combat anti-social behaviour; provision of desks, computers, an internet connection for the IT Suite and additional electrical work at Silksworth Community Centre. All projects were approved by the South Area Chair.</p>					

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Sunderland Women's Centre Area Courses	03.03.08	1.877	0.375	1.502	Sunderland Women's Centre
<p>Sunderland Women's Centre offers different services to women across the City to expand their skills and knowledge through becoming involved in educational and recreational courses and supplements adult education provision by offering courses whether accredited or non-accredited, with childcare for all carers in a central location. In addition Sunderland Women's Centre curriculum planning directly tackles issues around being healthy, staying safe, enjoying and achieving, making a positive contribution and achieving economic well being. The project secured £49,000 funding in total from various funding streams, but needed additional funding to enable course coordination and development. Therefore SIB funding was sought across five areas, for a one month period to allow the secured funding to be utilised and to provide further gap funding whilst other funding is secured. Expenditure to date has included salary and running costs.</p>					
2008/9 Project Allocations					
Project	Approval	Alloc. £k	Exp to date	Balance £k	Lead Agent
Farringdon Jubilee Centre	31.10.05	20	2.259	17.741	Farringdon Jubilee Centre
<p>Year 3 of 3 year funding to continue and improve the existing services run by the centre. As a result of the extra funding secured the centre can now provide a seamless service to the local community ensuring that groups whether large or small can develop, by offering ongoing training, support and a one-stop shop within the project to access information, advice and guidance. The funding provides the opportunity to develop further services to local residents, and the wider South Area.</p>					
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Blind Lane & Silksowrth Road Environmental Improvements	03.03.08	5.708	0	5.708	Community & Cultural Services
<p>Year 2 of 2 year funding to supply, install and maintain forty half baskets on twenty lamp columns from June 2008 to September 2012.</p>					
Totals		156.411	41.037	115.374	