

Attractive and Inclusive Thematic Action Plan for the North Area

11 actions were identified by Area Committee at the July meeting. The actions highlighted in grey were the areas identified as priority for the Attractive and Inclusive theme

Action	Progress Made	Next steps/Who?
Identify 'hot spots' of racist graffiti and liaise with North Area Community Cohesion Group to identify possible causes and solutions	Information from the ARCH system identifies 6 reported incidents of racist graffiti since August 2008. Four were in St Peter's ward, one in Redhill and one in Southwick.	LMAPS will continue to monitor – feedback from Inspector Musgrove. Promote and encourage use of ARCH system - all
Provide costings and information on keeping toilets at the sea front open all year round	There are two toilets open throughout the year - one at Seaburn promenade and one at Harbour View. To open further provision at Parsons Point and Marine Walk for the duration 7th September 2009 to 28th May 2010 Seven days per week including bank holidays open 8am and close 6pm The cost would be approximately £12,000	SIB Area Committee decision on whether to fund first year (£12,000) as a pilot with a view to mainstream budget picking up cost after this if appropriate
Provide report to Area Committee regarding 'quick wins' for sea front in advance of major strategy development	Options of smaller scale projects provided by Planning (attached as Annex 1a)	SIP Area Committee decision to provide SIP funding of £80,000 to carry out improvements.
Individual Area Action Plans to be developed regarding empty properties in all areas	Discussed with Alan Caddick. The plans are under development and will monitor the numbers of empty properties in each area on a quarterly basis. Updates can and will be provided to North Area Committee.	The Action Plan (with targets) for the North area to be presented to Area Committee when complete
Affordable Housing Policy to be reported back to Area Committee	Discussed with Alan Caddick. Progress to date is that a group has been formed that will develop the Policy and once the draft policy is available it will be taken through the AC's for information and comment	Affordable Housing Policy draft to AC
Hylton Castle feasibility and business plan to be developed with SIB funding	Development of a funding application to further develop this project	SIB Area Committee decision to approve SIB funding. Business Plan and feasibility report presented to Area Committee once complete – Friends of Hylton Dene

Develop SIB funding application and organise battle re-enactment event at Hylton Castle	Jane Hall (CCS) liaising with Sealed Knot (events organisation) to establish costs and other factors with a view to preparing SIB application	SIB application to be submitted – Jane Hall/Sealed Knot
Provide a report on the potential of bonfire celebrations at Hylton Castle for 2010	Meeting with Bill Forster (TWFS) to discuss. Receipt of an evaluation report of a similar event in Newcastle. A multi agency meeting has been arranged for 17 September to develop a working group to take arrangements forward	Report back to Area Committee at November meeting.
Provide greenspace strategy and plan which will inform the development of a tree lined avenue in Southwick	An application for funding will be presented at the next Community Chest panel meeting. Tree planting around Southwick Primary School field perimeter will take place late 2009. Gentoo will also be developing a tree lined avenue in Southwick once renewal work is complete (2011). This will complement the existing trees	Greenspace strategy will be presented to Area Committee once complete. This will cover the whole of the North area.
Report to Area Committee regarding Castletown Masterplan and Block Repair Scheme	Update prepared by Liz McEvoy (Health, Housing and Adult Services). This has been provided as Annex 1b. Liz can answer any queries members may have etc..	Liz McEvoy will provide further updates at the request of Area Committee
Establish a Communications Strategy/Plan for the North Area	Corporate Communications have allocated named Communications Officers to each Area Committee. Coleen Doneathy and Vicky Happer will develop a plan for the North and attend future meetings to offer support to the Area Committee	Communications Officers provide a Communications Plan to Area Committee at the November meeting