

North Place Board Project Performance Report

Below is a summary of all SIB funded projects showing how they have performed against their targets up to quarter four 2013/2014 and what they have achieved relevant to the Place Board:

Oral History Project	Output Target	Output Actual	Progress Indicator	Spend Target	Spend Actual	Progress Indicator
Number of community/voluntary groups supported	16	8		£9,800	£6,000	
Number of community or educational events held	17	8				
Number of adults obtaining qualifications (non Accredited)	90	40				
Number of people volunteering	85	60				
<p>SIB Funding was awarded to support delivery of the International Oral History Conference and to develop a lasting legacy with the local history/heritage groups across the North area. The first North East International Oral History Conference was successfully held in July 2011 and was attended by 100 delegates from across the region and country. There were also some delegates from overseas. Local people supported the event as volunteers. The project has worked with four local history societies; Monkwearmouth local History Society, Southwick History Society, St Peters Church Volunteers, and Fulwell History Society and have supported the training of volunteers in skills that will support the digitisation of their collections. The project also supported the societies in wider outreach developments with the community and schools.</p> <p>The project has part delivered and drawn down funds in relation to delivery the lead agent has not progressed further delivery therefore it is proposed to return the remaining funds of £3,800 to North Area Committee.</p>						

Fulwell Quarry Tree Planting	Output Target	Output Actual	Progress Indicator	Spend Target	Spend Actual	Progress Indicator
Number of events/programmes of work to improve appearance of streets	1	1		£29,000	£27,593	
<p>All work on site is now complete, and all required SIB funding drawn down. Remaining funding of £1,407 to be returned to SIB budget at June's Area Committee.</p>						

Sunderland North Community Sports Complex – Big Pond Phase 2	Output Target	Output Actual	Progress Indicator	Spend Target	Spend Actual	Progress Indicator
Number of new or improved facilities or equipment	1	2		£16,698	£16,106	
Number of Community/Voluntary groups supported	4	3				
Number of events/programmes of work to improve appearance of streets	24	41				
<p>All of the practical work on site has been completed. Over the past quarter, CEED have taken a group of 10 pupils from Redhouse Academy to the site. The group carried out some additional coppicing of the willow on the site. The pupils learnt about the conservation work that has been undertaken and about why the willow needs to be coppiced and the associated wildlife benefits. The pupils took the harvested willow back to school to be used in their garden project and are creating a living willow hedge to mark a memorial garden they are in the process of creating. As all the practical work on site is complete and all the required funding drawn down, the remaining funding of £592 is to be returned to the SIB budget at June's Area Committee.</p>						

Southwick Old Town Hall	Output Target	Output Actual	Progress Indicator	Spend Target	Spend Actual	Progress Indicator
Number of new or improved facilities or equipment	1	1		£6,000	£5,942	
<p>Southwick Old Town Hall is one of the main Heritage buildings in the area. SIB funding to the project has continued to contribute to the costs associated with the building to enable it to be maintained, repaired, insured and operated.</p>						

Southwick Community Christmas	Output Target	Output Actual	Progress Indicator	Spend Target	Spend Actual	Progress Indicator
Number of Community/Voluntary groups supported	2	3		£26,752	£21,390	
Number of Community or Educational Events held	2	2				
<p>This project has successfully delivered 2 Southwick illumination switch on events and due to the involvement of voluntary and community sector organisations, primary schools, businesses, elected members and the community of Southwick has delivered under budget with £5,362 remaining. In order to ensure delivery of a 3rd switch on event in November 2014 it is proposed to request at June Area Committee an extension of the project until January 2015</p>						

Why Did Charlie Buchan Go To War? (Beamish)	Output Target	Output Actual	Progress Indicator	Spend Target	Spend Actual	Progress Indicator
Number of Community/Voluntary groups supported	6	0		£15,000	£5,217	
Number of Community or Educational Events held	6	4				
No of additional children and young people participating in activities	450	340				

After a delay in the start of the project, due to slow uptake by local schools this has now been resolved and the Charlie Buchan project is now in full delivery with seven schools involved; Willowfield Primary, Grange Park Primary, Hylton Red House Academy, St Benet's RC Primary, Southwick Community Primary, Hylton Castle Primary and Town End Farm Primary.

Key highlights have included:

- 30 children from across Year's 4 and 5 from the schools involved have taken part in pre visits at school and visited Beamish
- A further 355 children from across years 2 to 6 are due to visit the Beamish Museum in the coming months to take part in the project along with the 'Call to War' activity
- On the 6th March the Museum helped Sunderland Foundation at the Stadium of Light to engage with over 300 children in the Charlie Buchan story, to help improve literacy and was part of the Read and Write Army project
- Meetings with Cheryl Knight the Manager of the Hylton Castle Redevelopment are in the process of being arranged with a view of linking the Charlie Buchan story to these developments
- The pre visit delivery in the classroom explores the Charlie Buchan story through 1st person and 3rd person re-enactments. Charlie is introduced, artefacts relating to football are handled and discussed, discussions held on how he enlists, the children do 'drill', handle artefacts relating to WW1 and examine period photographs
- The children unpick a photo collage of his life and write a postcard home as if they are on the frontline and explore the various industries on the Wear and imagine the way of life in Sunderland leading up to the War
- The team also aims to support the Carnival which is to be run through St Benet's RC Primary School
- Schools in the Sunderland North Area, that have not committed so far to taking part, will be visited in the first few weeks of the Summer Term to try to engage them onto the project

The delay to the start of the project and the slow engagement of local schools and voluntary and community sector organisations has resulted in the lower than expected achievement of the full expenditure and outputs. This is being addressed by the project lead and links will be established with the voluntary and community sector network to get involvement of VCS organisations in the project. The project was due to end 31.03.14 however due to the delay in commencement and the delivery as stated above in the future to achieve the targets an extension is requested and a decision will be sought at June Area Committee.

North East Aircraft Museum	Output Target	Output Actual	Progress Indicator	Spend Target	Spend Actual	Progress Indicator
Number of new or improved facilities or equipment	1	1		£13,000	£13,000	

The project was joint funded from both the North Area Committee and Washington Area Committee. SIB across both areas has funded the installation of a new road and drainage system to improve Health and Safety on site as the outside area of the North East Aircraft Museum site, was unsafe for young people and adults to become involved in some of the restoration projects which are based outdoors. All work on sight is now complete and the new road and drainage system has improved the site.

Thompson Park Phase 2	Output Target	Output Actual	Progress Indicator	Spend Target	Spend Actual	Progress Indicator
Number of new or improved facilities or equipment	1	0		£30,000	£0	
<p>The project once complete will extend the Eastern garden path, construct a new perimeter path to the South West and install a fitness trail, along with equipment at various intervals around the park. It is hoped that through these improvements it will encourage visitor activity and make the park safer and more accessible to its users, local residents and the local community.</p> <p>No expenditure has occurred on the project as confirmation of match funding for the 'Trim Trail footpath' is still to be confirmed. Once this is in place the work will go out for tender and work on site will commence. Members of the Thompson Park Steering Group are kept up to date with the progress of the match funding.</p>						

Sunderland Green Neighbourhoods	Output Target	Output Actual	Progress Indicator	Spend Target	Spend Actual	Progress Indicator
Number Improved Community Facilities	2	4		£4,582	£4,582	
Number of Events/Programmes of Work to Improve Appearance of Streets	20	69				
Number of Community or Education Events Held	4	18				
Number of people volunteering	108	208				
Number of Activities for Children and Young People being delivered during schools holidays/Number of additional children and young people participating in activities during school holidays	100	112				
<p>Native bulbs – including Snakes Head Fritillary and 1,000 British bluebells have been planted out in the Park by CEED volunteers and by the Council gardeners. These are intended to bring extra colour to the Park but to also increase the range of native planting thereby benefiting the fauna and birdlife in the Park. During February half term CEED held 2 family activity days – one at Roker Park and one at Tyzacks Nature Space. There were activities for children based around the birdlife found at the sites including making bird feeders to take home. CEED also used the days to highlight the work that had been done as part of this project. 6 fruit trees and 6 currant shrubs have also been planted within the Sensory Garden. This is the start of an informal 'orchard' that will in the future become a community resource. To update their training, 2 members of CEED staff attended a Paediatric and Outdoor First Aid course in order to aid delivery of activities and work with volunteers in the Park.</p> <p>All work on site is now complete, with the full SIB budget drawn down.</p>						

Hylton Sports Centre Access To Sport	Output Target	Output Actual	Progress Indicator	Spend Target	Spend Actual	Progress Indicator
Number of new or improved community facilities and equipment	1	0		£4,500	£0	
<p>SIB funding will enable the installation of a cricket scoreboard at the Billy Hardy Sports Centre, which will enable wider community involvement in cricket by bringing the ground up to an acceptable standard for league engagement. The project is linking with Castlevie Academy to encourage young people to be involved in Cricket through Kwik Cricket provision and is also linking with Sunderland University and hosting University Cricket matches. On site visits have taken place with representatives from Sunderland City Council, Sport & Leisure and Property Services to discuss the installation of the new scoreboard and its location. The location has been agreed and quotes received from the manufacturers. The Club has agreed with Bespoke Scoreboards to supply and install the scoreboard.</p> <p>Expenditure will be drawn down once scoreboard installed.</p>						

Wheatsheaf Gyrotory Clock	Output Target	Output Actual	Progress Indicator	Spend Target	Spend Actual	Progress Indicator
Number of events/programmes of work to improve appearance of streets	0	0		£195	£195	
<p>SIB awarded towards the purchase and Installation of a Clock at the Wheatsheaf Gyrotory. Costs associated with the clock included the supply and installation, three year maintenance agreement, excavation of the site and installation of the clock base and connection to the electrical supply and submission of planning application.</p> <p>Planning permission documents have been completed and submitted and are progressing. Procurement have worked on the tender documentation pack which was circulate out to clock manufacturers and a supplier appointment now achieved.</p>						

North Environmental Improvements	Output Target	Output Actual	Progress Indicator	Spend Target	Spend Actual	Progress Indicator
Number of events/programmes of work to improve appearance of streets	0	0		£0	£0	
<p>No outputs or expenditure until quarters across 2014/2015.</p> <p>Environmental Improvements across all wards in the North including tree management and thinning, plantation clearances and bankside clearances have been commenced within the following sites:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Town End Farm Plantation • Castletown Plantation • Seafields • Rear of Bishop Harland School • Redhouse Allotment Plantation • Rear of Southwick Library • Kier Hardy Way • Bloomfield Plantation 						