

SIB Funding Applications

Name of Project	River Wear Trail	
Lead Organisation	Sunderland City Council	
Total Cost of Project	Total Match Funding	Total SIB Requested
£72,000	£26,000	£ 46,000 (£26,500 from Washington and £19,500 from Coalfield)
Project Duration	Start Date	End Date
2009/10	2010/11	March 2011

The Project

The proposal is seeking £19,500 from the Coalfield Area Committee towards a £72,000 project to restore to a high standard the accessibility of the River Wear Trail between Cox Green and Fatfield bridges. The route will become step free enabling the north and south bank circuit to be used by those in wheelchairs and with push chairs. The project will also resolve the condition of Alice Well at Cox Green riverside.

The Need for the Project

The improvement of the riverside was identified in the Tyne & Wear Rights of Way Improvement Plan, which was subject to extensive consultation with residents, councillors, businesses and land owners.

The Outputs for the Project

Output Code	Description	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12
A1	Number of new or improved community facilities and equipment		1	
A2	Number of people using new and improved community facilities		tbc	

The key milestones for the Project

Milestone and key event	Forecast Dates
Revetment, surfacing, fencing, signing and access controls completed	March 2010
Fatfield Bridge ramping of steps	March 2010
Cox Green ramping of steps	May 2010

Recommendation: Defer on the basis of:

- The project does not demonstrate a clear link to the current priorities identified in the LAP
- Evidence of relevant consultation is not provided
- There is no evidence that other agencies have been involved in the design, or will be involved in the delivery of the project.
- The output, A2, needs to have forecast figures in order to monitor improvement. The application states that the route is popular, evidenced by its use, however current usage is not quantified.
- Environment Agency permission is required. There is a need to clarify whether any other permissions are required due to the route being a public right of way. It should also be considered whether any objections may be received (local residents and Friends of James Steel Park will be advised once designs are complete)

Once the above have been addressed satisfactorily, the application may come forward to a future Committee meeting.

Name of Project	Community Leaders of the Future
Lead Organisation	Education Business Connections

Total Cost of Project	Total Match Funding	Total SIB Requested
£75,915	£18,200	£57,715 (£11,543 from Coalfield Committee)
Project Duration	Start Date	End Date
Two years	January 2010	December 2011

The Project

It is a two-year project which includes a high profile citywide competition open to all secondary and special schools with a key theme of volunteering whilst developing both key employability skills, work readiness and entrepreneurship on participating young people. It will culminate in a high profile awards event to mark the European Year of Volunteering in 2011. There will be 4 large scale events during the two years. A secondary school from each of the five regeneration areas, with pupils in the range 11 to 13, will be invited, to take part in the competition and activities plus 2 citywide special schools and one citywide voluntary aided school

The project includes a number of core elements all designed through a phased learning programme to raise awareness in targeted young people of the impact they can make in supporting local VCS organisations in their community. There is also accredited training for young people resulting in NCFE awards. In particular the programme will aim to develop young people's work readiness and employability skills, foster a sense of entrepreneurship and an understanding that volunteering makes a real difference to everyday life across the city and that young people can be positive about giving freely of their time and energy as a preparation for adulthood and citizenship.

The Need for the Project

The project would appear to fill a gap for schools and young people. The applicant states that having worked with all the city's secondary schools, there is a clear demand and an unmet need to deliver more activities. In particular, the application states that schools have requested curriculum enhancing activities around involving business and enterprise activities, friendly competitions between schools, programmes which embed employability skills and which reward pupils' achievements, as well as connecting the schools to local communities. This project would actually meet all of these requirements, in particular for the 8 schools involved and their pupils (which will number 30 from each secondary and 10-15 in each special school).

There is evidence in the application around the importance of volunteering and the need to engage young people in this activity as early as possible in terms of developing their citizenship skills, an understanding of their communities as well as learning, life and employability skills.

The Outputs for the Project

Output Code	Description	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12
A3	Number of community/vol groups supported	8		
P3	No of young people in voluntary work	230		
S5	No of young people benefiting from youth inclusion/diversionary activities	230		

The key milestones for the Project

Milestone and key event	Forecast Dates
Market and recruit project to schools	Feb 2010
Presentations and initial classroom work	March – May 2010
Official launch	June 2010
Project activity: Classroom activities; Pupils review business plans, etc; re-profile income generating target etc;	June – October 2010

Mix of face-to-face and online support from third sector organisations and EBC to complete gathering of evidence for NCFE qualification submissions; Cut off for completion of NCFE qualification portfolios Updating of website based on project activity Mid term evaluation	
Skills/industry/employment Event	October 2010
Project activity	November – June 2011
Third Sector Event	May 2011
Fundraising Enterprise Event	July 2011
Project activity	August – November 2011
Celebratory Event	December 2011

Recommendation: Defer

Although the project is innovative and ambitious, it requires a high level of support from schools, including a commitment to identifying and supporting at least 30 young people over a 2 year period. Therefore until the project has been discussed with the schools identified and they have given, at least, their initial commitment to supporting the project for a two year period, the project should be deferred. The project is also reliant on commitment from a number of voluntary sector organisations to ensure success of the project. Again, an indication of the support from these organisations would strengthen the application.

Name of Project	Kool Kids
Lead Organisation	Sunderland Dance

Total Cost of Project	Total Match Funding	Total SIB Requested
Revenue: £46,580 £11,645 per area	£985 – in kind	£11,645 per area (Washington, Coalfields, Sunderland West and East)
Project Duration	Start Date	End Date
1 year	February 2010	February 2011

The Project

The proposed project is seeking funds from four of the five Area Committees to deliver a 48 weeks urban dance programme, in two community venues per area. Each venue will receive a weekly 2 hour session, 1st hour targeting the under 12's, 2nd hour 12 plus. The Kool Kids programme was piloted in the North area of the City during 2008-09 which was funded by North Area Committee SIB. The project delivered against its objectives. The Lead Agents now wish to roll the programme out across the City. The project will be delivered in the Comrades Club Fencehouses and the Hettton Centre

The Need for the Project

The Lead Agent are currently commissioned via Youth Development Group to deliver dance, via the XL Youth Villages, in addition to working with local schools and community youth projects. Many of the currently participants of these projects and programmes have requested more dance activities. The Lead Agent refers to a strong connection towards a Safe City, and identifies how the programme can reduce ASB, also four individual Officers from Northumbria Police have written letters of support for the project.

The Outputs for the Project per area

Output Code	Description	Target 2010/11
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L7	Number of additional youth sessions delivered per week.	2
S5	Number of young people benefiting from youth inclusion/diversionary projects	100

The key milestones for the Project

Milestones and Key Events	Forecast Dates
Promoting new Kool Kids projects completed	Feb 2010
25% of output numbers of young people met and engaged	Mar 2010
50% of output numbers of young people met and engaged	Jun 2010
75% of output numbers of young people met and engaged	Sep 2010
100% of output numbers of young people met and engaged	Dec 2010
Initial project statistical information on youth disorder supplied by police	Jan 2010
Mid project statistical information on youth disorder supplied by police	Jul 2010
End of project statistical information on youth disorder supplied by police	Dec 2010
Social Return On Investment information gathered to gauge the impact of the project	Jan 2011

Recommendation: Reject

- Children Services, Youth Development Group are advertising tenders for the delivery of youth provision in each of the 25 wards across the City, with contracts to be awarded over the Winter. This will allow for a scoping document to be produced identifying all the needs/gaps in provision across an area. This will identify if this project will bring added value to existing provision.
- If the need to supply a dance programme is identified, after the contracts have been awarded, the Area Committee can Call for Projects and seek competitive applications to deliver the project, with the Committee deciding upon the outputs and costs of the project.
- The application does strategically fit under the Local Area Plan, but the Lead Agent already receives core funding to deliver dance across the City via XL youth villages. In addition, the suggestions that the participants who currently attend the youth villages, schools, etc are asking for more dance sessions, would imply that the same participants would benefit from the extended provision, again questioning the added value, no new beneficiaries.

Name of Project	Sea Front Improvements
Lead Organisation	Sunderland City Council

Total Cost of Project	Total Match Funding	Total SIB Requested
£168,000	£128,000 (from North Area Committee)	£ 10,000 each from Coalfield, West, East and Washington Areas
Project Duration	Start Date	End Date
1 year 3 months	January 2010	March 2011

The Project

The proposal is seeking £10,000 from this Area Committee towards a £168,000 package of public realm improvements at Seaburn upper and lower promenades. The project will resurface areas of the promenade, install new street furniture and planting and improve the soft landscaping of the area. This is the first phase in a more comprehensive improvement scheme for Seaburn.

The Need for the Project

The community spirit survey in 2007 and, more recently, the Sea Front strategy consultation in Spring 2009 raised the need for a more attractive, improved sea front. The consultation took

place with residents from all five areas in the City who highlighted the importance of the sea front to the City.

The Outputs for the Project

Output Code	Description	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12
A4	events/programmes of work to improve appearance of streets		2	

The key milestones for the Project

Milestone and key event	Forecast Dates
Develop detailed design proposals	January 2010
Procure contractor	April 2010
Commence works on site	May 2010
Completion of first phase of works/project	July 2010

Recommendation: **Reject:**

- Although the project will provide a valuable improvement for the benefit of the whole City, it does not meet any of the key priorities identified in the Coalfield Local Area Plan (LAP)

Name of Project	Street Scene Improvements
Lead Organisation	Sunderland City Council

Total Cost of Project	Total Match Funding	Total SIB Requested
£93,804	£49,670	£ 44,134
Project Duration	Start Date	End Date
3 months	February 2010	May 2010

The Project

The proposal is seeking £44,134 towards a £93,804 package of street scene improvement which will include road markings, guard rails, street name plates, road patching and drainage in the four wards in the Coalfields LAP area. Improvements will add value to the programmed highways work through the mainstream budget and will address some of the issues raised by residents, ward councillors, and through the LAP consultation process.

The Need for the Project

Reports from Councillors, the public (via the Contact Centre and other sources) and from Highway Inspectors highlight the need.

The Outputs for the Project

Output Code	Description	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12
A4	events/programmes of work to improve appearance of streets	4 (one scheme for each ward)		

The key milestones for the Project

Milestone and key event	Forecast Dates
Project approval	January 2010
Commencement of works	February 2010
Progress report to Area Committee	March 2010
Completion of works/project	May 2010

Recommendation: Approve subject to:

- Detailed list of works with specific locations provided to Area Committee
- Information being provided regarding future maintenance and repair and how these improvements will be taken into the Councils annual repair and maintenance programmes should be provided to demonstrate sustainability.
- Confirmation as to whether contingencies have been allowed for down time due to inclement weather

Name of Project	Miners Memorial Window – Civic Suite	
Lead Organisation	Culture & Tourism (SCC)	
Total Cost of Project	Total Match Funding	Total SIB Requested
£25,000	£0	£25,000 (£5k from Coalfield Area Committee)
Project Duration	Start Date	End Date
5 months	January 2010	March 2010

The Project

This project will deliver a bespoke design for the glazed area above the entrance to the Civic Centre Suite. The aim is to provide visitors and Council members with a high quality commission, which will be visually exciting and create an engaging and contemporary design that will complement the Civic Centre Building. The design will reference the past mining industry specifically the 1984 -1985 Miners Strike. The mining industry was a major determinant of the city's development and its heritage and culture.

The artist will create a design for the glass area above the entrance door to the Civic Suite ensuring that the work can be viewed from both inside and outside the civic centre and will:

- make a visually appealing feature of the entrance to the Civic Centre Council Chamber
- be robust in construction, require minimal maintenance, and adhere to health and safety requirements.
- reference the history of the 1984 -1985 strike
- be permanent (i.e. should function effectively on the site for a period of not less than 20 years)

The Need for the Project

The project has been identified and supported by families and individuals connected to the city's mining history. The project will be delivered in partnership with the Durham Miners Association.

The Outputs for the Project

Output Code	Description	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12
A6	Number of community/educational events	1		

The key milestones for the Project

Milestone and key event	Forecast Dates
Artist contracted and presentation of designs	Jan 2010
Technical development	Jan – Feb 10
Unveiling of artwork	6 Mar 2010

Recommendation: Approve Subject to:

- Additional outputs identified – set a target for A2 – Number of people using improved community facility. The application will be strengthened by confirming the number of people who would be able to access the artwork
- Confirmation no planning permission is required
- Confirmation of who will be invited to the launch event (numbers, families, community?)
- Confirmation of future repair, maintenance and cleaning programme in place

Name of Project	The Kepier Hall
Lead Organisation	The Kepier Trust

Total Cost of Project	Total Match Funding	Total SIB Requested
£31,330	£28,196	£ 3,134
Project Duration	Start Date	End Date
8 weeks	April 2010	June 2010

The Project

The project will contribute to restoration of Kepier Hall, a Grade 2 listed building. Window and masonry repairs are the third phase of major works for the Hall. The completion of the works will allow a wide range of activities to be delivered to the local community in a community setting. The hall is used by a number of groups and clubs.

The Need for the Project

A feasibility study was carried out in 2004, since which there has been steady progress completing the recommendations. Phase 3 is the last element of the Kepier project.

The Outputs for the Project

Output Code	Description	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12
A1	Improved facilities	1		
A3	Number of community/voluntary groups supported	17		

The key milestones for the Project

Milestone and key event	Forecast Dates
Secure Biffaward	March 2010
Complete ground floor accommodation	July 2010

Recommendation: Approve

- The approval of SIB funding will potentially allow the project to raise over £28,000 match funding
- The Kepier Hall is an important historic building and a valuable asset for the community
- The project supports community development and supports local voluntary sector organisations