

NORTH SUNDERLAND AREA COMMITTEE

AGENDA

**Meeting to be held at Castle View School, Cartwright Road,
Sunderland on Thursday, 8th June, 2006 at 5.30 p.m.**

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R.C. RAYNER,
City Solicitor.

Civic Centre,
SUNDERLAND.

31st May, 2006.

At a Meeting of the NORTH SUNDERLAND AREA COMMITTEE held at BEXHILL PRIMARY SCHOOL, BEXHILL ROAD, SUNDERLAND on THURSDAY, 9TH MARCH, 2006 at 6.30 p.m.

Present:-

Councillor Mann in the Chair

Councillors Ambrose, Bell, Bohill, Charlton, Foster, G. Hall, Howe, J. Walton and N. Wright.

Apologies for Absence

Apologies were submitted to the meeting on behalf of Councillors Higgins, Shattock, Stewart, Symonds and L. Walton.

Minutes

1. RESOLVED that the minutes of the last meeting of the Committee (copy circulated) held on 9th January, 2006 be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

Declarations of Interest

The respective Councillors declared interests in the undermentioned items of business as follows:-

Item 7 - Children's Centres – Phase Two – 2006-08

Councillor G. Hall declared a personal interest as a Member of the Capital Group at Dame Dorothy School.

Item 10 - Strategic Initiatives Budget : 2005/06 Ward Based Community Chest

The following Councillors declared personal and prejudicial interests in the following applications and withdrew from the meeting before the Committee gave consideration to the applications:-

Councillors Bell and Charlton in respect of Red House and District CA as Members of the CA;

Councillor Bell in respect of Castlegreen School as a Governor at the school;

Councillor Bohill in respect of Seaburn Dene Primary School as a Governor at the school;

Councillor Charlton in respect of Red House School as a Governor at the school;

Councillor G. Hall in respect of Sunderland Remembrance Day Parade Steering Group as a Member of the Steering Group; and

Councillor Ambrose in respect of Southwick Primary School as a Governor at the school.

Presentation from Northumbria Police on Crime Rates Relating to the North Sunderland Area

Inspector Patterson presented a statistics document illustrating crime rates in the North Sunderland Area (copies circulated).

(For copy report – see original minutes).

Inspector Patterson reported an overall reduction in crime of 12% which amounted to 691 fewer offences than in the previous year. One area of concern was the increase in theft from vehicles, which Inspector Patterson commented could be attributed to the increase in cars fitted with satellite navigation systems and thieves targeting CD players. Inspector Patterson reported that initiatives had been put in place to tackle what was a national problem. In relation to youth disorder, Inspector Patterson advised that in spite of a change in the counting rules, there had been a reduction of 13% in the second half of the year, a period which covered the school summer holidays and Bonfire Night.

In response to a question from Councillor Foster regarding drugs offences, Inspector Patterson advised that increased police activity had led to an increase in detection.

Councillor G. Hall, referring to the 300% increase in drugs offences in the Fulwell Ward enquired as to whether the offences were being committed by residents. Inspector Patterson advised it was thought that the increases were due to people coming into the area.

The Chairman thanked Inspector Patterson for his attendance.

2. RESOLVED that the presentation and report be received and noted.

Seaburn Centre : Boxing Day Dip 2005

The Director of Community and Cultural Services submitted a report (copy circulated) advising Members of the outcome of the Boxing Day Dip hosted at the Seaburn Centre on Monday, 26th December, 2005.

(For copy report – see original minutes).

Councillor Foster commented that he had taken part in the dip and commended the organisation of the event and the atmosphere.

3. RESOLVED that the report be received and noted.

Seaburn Centre : North East Sports Awards

The Director of Community and Cultural Services submitted a report (copy circulated) advising the Area Committee that the Seaburn Centre was host to the North East Sports Awards 2005.

(For copy report – see original minutes).

Amanda Cante, Centre Manager at the Seaburn Centre advised that the Centre would be hosting the RSC for a week with performances of Chaucer. In response to a question from Councillor N. Wright, Ms. Cante advised that a cafeteria and licensed bar would be provided.

The Chairman having commended the event and the visit of the RSC for raising the profile of the City, it was:-

4. RESOLVED that the report be received and noted.

Children's Centres – Phase Two – 2006-08

The Director of Children's Services submitted a report (copy circulated) to update Members on proposals for the North Sunderland Area.

(For copy report – see original minutes).

Councillor Howe commented that he was disappointed that Fulwell would not have a Children's Centre. Rachel Putz, Integrated Services Team Manager, advised that it would be covered by a Centre by 2010 but that areas with higher levels of deprivation were the focus at present. In response to a question from Councillor Bohill, Ms. Putz advised that if health visitors felt a family was in need of support, they could be referred for help even if they resided outside the area covered by a Centre. Ms. Putz also advised that it might be possible for home visits to take place.

The Chairman having asked Ms. Putz to return in future to update the Committee on progress made, it was:-

5. RESOLVED that the report be received and noted.

Strategic Initiatives Budget (SIB) : Regeneration Issues Report

The Director of Development and Regeneration submitted a report and an addendum (copies circulated) on the proposed allocation of Strategic Initiatives Budget (SIB) funding to the following initiatives to benefit the area:-

- (i) Eco Rangers 2006 project; and
- (ii) the extension of funding for the EU Development Fund Package until December 2007.

(For copy report – see original minutes).

Susan Goodchild presented the application for Eco Rangers 2006. The Committee was also requested to extend funding for the EU Development Fund Package until December 2007 to allow the project to continue at current levels whilst the outcome of the GONE review was confirmed.

6. RESOLVED that:-

- (i) approval be given to the allocation of Strategic Initiatives Budget funding of £1,500 from the 2006/07 budget as a contribution towards the Eco Rangers 2006 project; and
- (ii) approval be given to extend funding for EU Development Fund Package until December 2007.

Regeneration Issues Report : Feedback on Projects Previously Funded Through Strategic Initiatives Budget (SIB)

The Director of Development and Regeneration submitted a report and an addendum (copies circulated) providing information to the Area Committee on expenditure from Strategic Initiatives Budget (SIB) on the following projects it had previously funded:-

Hylton Castle and Town End Farm Boys Club; and
Fulwell Mill Virtual Reality Tour.

(For copy report – see original minutes).

Members agreed to receive the written report from Hylton Castle and Town End Farm Boys Club, Councillor Foster commending their work thus far. The

Chairman then introduced Peter Mooney and Alistair Yule from Fulwell Mill Virtual Reality Tour.

The representative having answered Members questions, it was:-

7. RESOLVED that the presentation of feedback reports be received and noted.

Strategic Initiatives Budget : 2005/06 Ward Based Community Chest

The Director of Development and Regeneration submitted a report and an addendum amending the original report (copies circulated) to bring forward thirty six proposals relating to the 2005/06 Community Chest scheme.

(For copy report – see original minutes).

8. RESOLVED that approval be given to the thirty six projects recommended for support from the 2005/06 Community Chest with a total value of £17,291 as detailed in the revised Annex 1.

(Signed) L. MANN,
Chairman.

Item No.6 PORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY AND CULTURAL SERVICES

8th JUNE, 2006

POSITIVE FUTURES UPDATE

1.0 PURPOSE OF THE PAPER

1.1 The purpose of the paper is to update the Area Committee with regard to the Positive Futures Programme in Sunderland.

2.0 BACKGROUND

2.1 As Members are aware, Positive Futures is a national sports-based social inclusion programme, managed within the Home Office Drug Strategy Directorate. National partners include the Department of Health; Department of Culture, Media and Sport; Connexions (Department for Education and Skills); Football Foundation; Youth Justice Board and Sport England.

2.2 Community Services led a cross departmental working group in developing and submitting an application for inclusion in Phase 2 of the Positive Futures Programme. The bid embraced two targeted areas of the City, Southwick and North Washington, focusing on the following key elements as the cornerstones of the intervention programme:

- Provide a clear focus on 10 – 16 year olds who show signs of disengagement
- A sporting activity programme with defined links to mainstream sport
- An inclusion programme based on social responsibility and drug prevention
- An education and training programme designed to stimulate the positive attitudes and lifestyles, healthy living and lifelong learning in sports development

2.3 The Sunderland Positive Futures Programme was funded by the Home Office in 2002 -2004. Due to its initial success, the Home Office has part funded the project to 2008, allowing for growth in the project.

3.0 CURRENT POSITION

3.1 The Programme has engaged the following numbers of young people over the first four years of the scheme.

Years 1-2	499
Year 3	213
Year 4	221
Total	933

Once engaged, statistics show that at least 76% of young people remain with the project.

3.2 Originally the project was targeted towards 10-16 year olds, however the Programme now engages 8-19 year olds, with an emphasis on education, training and employment.

- 3.3 Since launched in May 2002, the Programme has been able to support not only young people in a youth and community setting, but also in an educational aspect, offering an alternative environment in which young people can learn.
- 3.4 Positive Futures offers disengaged and marginalised groups 'another chance', by providing the opportunity to participate in activity based learning, using sport and other activities to attract young people. Over the Programme's first four years, young people have participated in 33 different sport and leisure activities, as well as 22 educational courses.
- 3.5 Positive Futures major strength is partnership working and the Football Friday project is a great example of this. Positive Futures has initiated and oversees a working group to tackle the problem of underage drinking on seafront at Roker. Officially launched on 10 March 2006, the Football Friday sessions are attracting upwards of 80 young people each week.
- 3.6 Due to the success of the Positive Active Learning Support Programme (PALS), the Sunderland Behaviour and Education Support Team (part of the local Behaviour Improvement Programme) have agreed to part the initiative, ensuring the Programme can offer a social improvement programme to young people across the City.
- 3.7 This positive approach has encouraged young people who otherwise would not have had the confidence to return to a social environment, the option to make life choices, by avoiding crime and reengaging them within mainstream society.

4.0 FUTURE GOALS AND TARGETS

4.1 Positive Futures has positioned itself as one of the leading intervention programmes in the City for young people. Work over the coming year will include:

- Strengthen links with the Police and the City's Anti Social Behaviour Team
- Maintain and develop the Football Friday Programme partnership with SAFC Foundation
- Maintain and develop core work at Southwick Sports Hall
- Strengthen core work with partner agencies around substance misuse
- Provide holiday provision for young people in Southwick and Redhill, in partnership with Southwick Neighbourhood Youth Project
- Further develop and extend the reach of the PALS personal development programme
- Further develop work with Connexions to assist young people into employment and education.
- In depth evaluations to include, attitudinal surveys and case studies.

5.0 FUNDING

5.1 As Members may be aware, Positive Futures funding was scheduled to end in March 2004. However, as a result of Government's 2002 Spending Review, the national Positive Futures initiative received an additional £15 million over a further two years.

5.2 In February 2005, Government stated that the management of Positive Futures would be tendered from 2006 - 2008, to a national agency. It has since commissioned Crime Concern to manage the programme at a national level. For

Positive Futures Sunderland, this means that funding is secure until 2008, at a minimum of £40,000 per annum.

- 5.3 In addition, to Government funding, Positive Futures also receives local match funding. The projected total funding package is shown below:

2006-2007

Home Office core funding	£40,000
Safer Stronger Communities (awaiting decision)	£30,000
NRF (part of Youth Diversionary bid – awaiting decision)	£10,000
Contingency	£5,000
	£85,000

Activity Specific

Connexions (PAYP)	£11,500
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Total Project Spend **£96,500**

6.0 CONCLUSION

- 6.1 The Area Committee is recommended to note the update in relation to Positive Futures and the success of reducing youth disorder, crime and substance misuse in the City.

7.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

- 7.1 The following background papers were relied upon to compile this report.
(i) Cabinet Member Briefing Paper dated 10 October 2005

REPORT OF THE CITY TREASURER**HOUSING and COUNCIL TAX BENEFIT PROGRESS REPORT****FOR INFORMATION****1. PURPOSE OF REPORT**

1.1 The purpose of this report is to inform Members of the performance of the Benefits Section in the processing of new claims (BVPI 78a) Best Value Performance Indicator for Housing and Council Tax Benefit. This report covers the period 1 April 2005 to 31 March 2006.

2. PERFORMANCE

2.1 Our target for BVPI 78a for processing new claims for 2005 – 2006 was set at 28 days. The attached table shows that we successfully achieved this target city wide (subject to audit). We also exceeded our 92% local target for new claims processed within 14 days of receipt of all necessary information, by achieving 93%. These two performance measures are still well within the Department for Work and Pensions' (DWP) standards.

3. FURTHER INFORMATION

3.1 One of the main objectives in last and this year's Business Plans for the Benefits Service is to promote Housing and Council Tax Benefit and thereby increase take-up of these benefits.

3.2 Members were previously informed of take-up exercises throughout 2005 – 2006. These drives to encourage people to take up benefits last year resulted in more than 2,250 enquiries and led to 360 successful claims. Some people are now better off by as much as £80 per week and others have received backdated awards of over £3,000. In all, over £404,000 extra Housing and Council Tax Benefit was paid.

3.3 A free Benefits Hotline has been set up in March 2006 as part of our ongoing drive to encourage take up. It costs nothing for customers to ring the Council's Contact Centre to find out if there are benefits they might be missing out on.

The hotline was launched as Council Tax bills were dropping on doormats and so far we have accepted nearly 1,000 calls and calculations have confirmed at least 100 customers will qualify for Housing and Council Tax Benefit if they return their claim form). Publicity continues to promote the free phone number through working with Registered Social Landlords as they issue rent increase letters, advertising in the Echo, on billboards, and on our website. Investigations are also underway to advertise on a fleet of Stagecoach buses across the city.

3.4 This coming year, we face the biggest test we've had in many years which is the implementation of a new benefits system followed by an upgrade of our DIP (Document Image Processing) system. Significant preparation and effort has gone

into researching and acquiring the right benefit system to improve service delivery and we are on track for a summer implementation. Leading up to implementation we must suffer unavoidable 'downtime' for a period, whilst data is migrated and programmes and interfaces are tested. However, we will do all we can to minimise disruption to our Service and will keep our customers informed at all times.

4. RECOMMENDATION

4.1 Members are asked to note the contents of this report.

5. BACKGROUND PAPERS

5.1 No background papers were used in the preparation of this report.

North Area Performance Statistics

National Best Value Performance Indicator (BVPI78a) - City Wide

	Targets 2005 - 2006	Performance 2005 - 2006	Targets 2006 - 2007
Average time taken to process a new claim from date of claim	28 days	27.77 days	27 days
Percentage of new claims processed within 14 days from receipt of all information	92%	92.57%	93%

NORTH SUNDERLAND AREA COMMITTEE
8th June 2006

**REGENERATION ISSUES REPORT: FEEDBACK ON PROJECTS
PREVIOUSLY FUNDED THROUGH STRATEGIC INITIATIVES BUDGET (SIB)**
Report of the Director of Development and Regeneration

1.0 Purpose Of The Report

1.1 This report provides information to the Area Committee on expenditure from the Strategic Initiatives Budget (SIB) on projects it has previously funded.

2.0 Background

2.1 Each Regeneration Framework area has been allocated a minimum of £200,000 per annum over the last eleven years from the Strategic Initiatives Budget to promote action on key priorities identified in the relevant Area Regeneration Frameworks, and to attract other funding into the area. Over this period, therefore, the Framework area has been allocated £2,333,080.

2.2 In order that the Area Committee can be kept informed of progress on projects it has previously funded as part of the SIB monitoring process, a programme of report backs has been scheduled.

3.0 Purpose of the Feedback Reports

3.1 The aim of the reports are to inform the Area Committee how the money it has been allocated through SIB has been used, how successful it has been in achieving its original objectives, and how the project will continue. Specifically, the reports have been asked to address the following key questions:

- How has the money has been used? How much was capital and revenue?
- What were the outcomes of the project? How has it helped to achieve the objectives identified in the original submission? Are there any statistics that will support the outcomes?
- What other funding the SIB allocation helped to attract?
- What are the key lessons learnt? What difference has the project made in comparison to other areas that did not have such funding? What added

value did the project provide? Are there implications for existing service provision?

- Does the project need to continue? Has it come to its natural end? If not, how will it be funded? Has it been considered for mainstream funding? Have other funding sources been approached?

3.2 Once the presentation has been completed, Elected Members will be invited to ask any questions or offer comments concerning the project.

4.0 Feedback to this Committee

4.1 At this Committee meeting, the following feedback reports will be presented:

- St Peter's Community Development Trust.
- Development of Hydrotherapy Pool -Fulwell Day Centre

4.2 Extracts from the original applications are attached as Annex 1. Lead agents up date reports follow in Annex 2. A draft schedule for Feedback Reports for 2006 - 2007 is attached as Annex 3.

5.0 Recommendations

5.1 That this report be noted.

Background Papers

Strategic Initiatives Budget (SIB): Regeneration Issues Reports to previous Area Committees

Regeneration Framework File, North Sunderland

NORTH SUNDERLAND AREA COMMITTEE
12th January 2006

**REGENERATION ISSUES REPORT ; FEEDBACK ON PROJECTS
PREVIOUSLY FUNDED THROUGH STRATEGIC INITIATIVES BUDGET
(SIB)**

Annex 1

Original Applications

PROJECT TITLE: St Peter's Development Trust Steering Group		
<u>Section 1: Application Requirements</u>		
1.2 Which Area Regeneration Framework(s) does the project cover? (please tick)		
Coalfield []	East []	North [x]
Washington []	West []	South []
<u>Section 2: Sponsor Details</u>		
2.1 Name of Lead Organisation / Group: City of Sunderland		
2.2 Address of Lead Organisation / Group: Development and Regeneration Directorate, PO Box 104, Civic Centre, Sunderland, SR2 7DN.		
2.3 Contact Name for Project: Karon Purvis	2.4 Position in Organisation: Area Regeneration Officer	
2.5 Tel. Number: 0191 553 1214	2.6 Fax Number: 0191 553 1190	2.7 E-mail Address: karon.purvis@sunderland.gov.uk
<u>Section 3 : Project Details</u>		
3.1 Project Title: (Please re-state title as per front sheet) <u>St Peter's Development Trust Steering Group</u>		
3.2 Project Start Date: April 2004	3.3 Project End Date: March 2005	
3.4 Please describe the project: Development and Regeneration are acting as Lead Agents for this project, on behalf of the St Peter's Development Trust Steering Group. The role of this Steering Group is to manage the 'Start Up' process re the promotion and development of a Development Trust for the St Peter's area. The Steering Group is not a constituted group and whilst there is a strong commitment and vision with regard to the formation of a Trust, the group recognise that one of the first priorities in order to take their vision forward is to recruit a Development Officer to help carry out the 'Start Up' process. The Steering		

Group are all volunteers and currently utilise the Area Regeneration Officer for the North Area of Sunderland who is 'leading' on the day to day work of agreeing policy guidelines and principles of good practice in order to make progress and gain local support re the formal establishment of a local Trust.

A Development Officer is required to take over this function managing the day to day work. They will operate locally, and will be accountable to the Steering Group until the Development Trust is established.

Key tasks they will undertake will include:

- Researching other examples of Development Trusts
- Setting up a base
- Networking local contacts
- Identifying main issues and project opportunities and other feasibility assessment work as identified
- Organising workshops and a seminar
- Developing bid documents and/or business plan with the Steering Group
- Servicing the Steering Group
- Preparing communications materials
- Working with the Steering Group on the incorporation of the development trust, fundraising, staff recruitment and the launch.

It is recognised that given the temporary nature of the post, it might be particularly difficult to recruit. One option will be to explore the possibility of secondments with local partner organisations. The Area

Committee is being requested to provide the funding in order to allow the Steering Group to explore the options of either secondment, the hiring of a Consultant, or the direct recruitment of the Officer. The group needs to have available the recruitment costs, salary plus on costs, and a budget for accommodation, communication and training, in order to make progress.

3.5 What service does the organisation currently provide and how will this be complemented by the project?

Development and Regeneration co-ordinates regeneration and development across the City and works with partners to deliver a joint regeneration agenda, which will very clearly be complemented should the Development Trust be established.

The Steering Group is charged with managing the start up process for establishing the trust and will provide a number of services to the area. They will:

- Define the geographic area to be covered
- Propose name for Trust
- Begin to work up the 'Vision' of the proposed development trust. (Why is the Trust being established, what it will do and how it will operate)
- Determine what funding opportunities are available to support the Steering Group through the 'Start Up Process'.
- Recruit and manage a Development Officer to carry out day to day support, complete a feasibility assessment and oversee the production of a business plan. (This will turn the vision into a portfolio of projects, will identify funding and other resources, and will set out an appropriate management structure)
- Manage workshops and seminars to develop project ideas and to gain support for the proposed development trust
- Develop a bid document for funding for the proposed development trust

- Determine the Constitution of the Trust
- Determine the membership of the Board for the proposed development trust

3.6 What additional activity will SIB funding allow to happen?

(Please tick the appropriate statement)

- a) A project will go ahead which otherwise would not happen at all
- b) A project will be provided to a higher quality / on a greater scale
- c) The funding will accelerate the implementation of the project by 12+ months
- d) A gap in funding will be filled pending other funding being secured
- e) Other reason

Please explain your answer:

This project requires funding to 'kick start' the process of developing a local Development Trust. The Development Worker will then work on a Strategy to complete funding bids re the long term sustainability of a Trust. This project is very much a first step, re supporting a setting up process.

What will follow will be a community based, independent organisation, working for the sustainable regeneration of the St Peter's area, through a mixture of activity. The Trust will be a not-for-profit, registered charity and will be locally accountable for what they do.

Section 7: Financial Information

7.1 How much SIB funding is requested?

7.2 Indicate the type of funding requested: *(Please tick)*

Capital Revenue Both

7.3 Has funding been requested / allocated from any other sources, including Council Directorates and if so how much?

Not at this stage. Additional funding bids will be one of the main priorities of the Development Officer, once in post.

7.4 What other funding alternatives have been considered and why were these not appropriate?

None available at this time

7.5 What are the financial implications for the project should it not receive SIB funding?

The Steering Group will not receive the necessary support required to establish the Trust

7.6 When SIB expenditure is complete how do you intend to continue this project?

Further funding applications to be made

7.7 Provide a profile of projected costs:

Funding Source	2003/04	2004/05	2005/06	Total Cost
SIB :				
Coalfield				
East				
North		£23,600		£23,600
South				
West				
Washington				
Other Sources: <i>(Please state)</i> 1) 2) 3)				
Total Cost:		£23,600		£23,600
7.8 Please provide a breakdown of the Total cost to show the main areas of expenditure:				
Recruitment costs			£ 2,000	
Salary costs (3 days/week at S01 Scale point 29)			£ 15,700	
Temporary base costs (inc. heat, lighting, security, rent, tel)			£ 2,600	
Transport and insurance			£ 800	
Admin & stationary			£ 1,000	
Development budget			£ 1,500	
Total			£ 23,600	

REPORT FOR NORTH SUNDERLAND AREA COMMITTEE 08.06.06
STRATEGIC INITIATIVE BUDGET (SIB)

Prepared by: Dianne Barkas
Assistant Co-ordinator
Sunderland North Community Business Centre (SNCBC)

Re: St Peter's Community Development Trust

Date: 22.05.06

In 2004 SNCBC were approached by a group of residents from the St. Peters ward of Sunderland North. The residents had been meeting over a period of time with their local Councillors and had worked with the Area Regeneration Officer to secure funds to engage a consultant to work with the group to carry out a feasibility study in the area. As a result of discussions with the group SNCBC gained support from the Strategic Initiatives Budget to support a Community Development Worker, for a one year period, to deliver the recommendations of the feasibility study. SNCBC were the lead agent for this Project which was granted a total of £23,600 in March 2004. A member of staff was appointed in August 2004. The grant paid for recruitment costs, workers salary for 13 months, office costs (rent, rates, heat, light, power, telephone), stationery and a small amount for transport and insurance.

Their work identified that there were actually two groups of residents operating independently in the area both with the aim of supporting the development of the St. Peters area. Through a series of discussions the two groups agreed to combine their enthusiasm and resources to form one 'development group'. Together the group considered a range of legal structures for their future operation. Visits were organised to view the work of other Community Organisations operating in the North East and discussions took place with these groups regarding the perceived merits of operating within their chosen legal structures. Group members attended presentations by the Development Trust Agency and Social Enterprise Sunderland regarding potential legal structures that could be adopted to take their work forward. Over a series of meetings the group considered a range of relevant legal documentation and examined the requirements of a constitution, memorandum of articles, articles of association and within that developed and agreed the operational aims and objectives of the group. The group selected to move forward as a Community Development Trust and have now legally formed as St Peters Development Trust. The Project has therefore been a success as the main objective of 'kick starting' the process of developing a local Development Trust has been met.

During the last year SNCBC have developed working links with Castletown Community Association in the area. The Community Associations have faced a number of changes over the last five years, particularly in relation to premises and grant aid. This particular CA had resisted change and although they had secured their premises on a medium term lease from City of Sunderland Council they had minimal resources to cover the utility insurance and maintenance costs associated with running the premises. SNCBC partnered with other local voluntary organisations in the area to provide the CA with support. Our Community Development Worker provided training for Management Committee which resulted in some members stepping down as they did not wish to continue with the responsibility of being a member and some new members joined the committee.

SNCBC was awarded further funding through SIB in January 2006 to deliver the North Community Support Project. This will enable SNCBC to employ a Community Progression Officer to provide support to St Peters Development Trust in documenting a delivery plan for the St. Peters area, identifying relevant partner organisations and Networks and compiling and submitting funding applications to enable service delivery. This member of staff will also work with Castletown Community Association to examine potential methods to attract funding and/or create revenue and to further develop the skills of the members to enable them to effectively direct the Organisation in the future. They will also work with local residents to raise their awareness of the community facilities at the new Bunnyhill Centre which SNCBC will be managing, encouraging their engagement in activities at the Centre and working with local residents to form a steering/management committee for the initiative.

PROJECT TITLE: Development of hydrotherapy pool/ Sensory Room		
<u>Section 1: Application Requirements</u>		
1.2 Which Area Regeneration Framework(s) does the project cover? (please tick)		
Coalfield [<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>]	East [<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>]	North [<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>]
Washington [<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>]	West [<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>]	South [<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>]
<u>Section 2: Sponsor Details</u>		
2.1 Name of Lead Organisation / Group: Fulwell Day Centre City of Sunderland Council		
2.2 Address of Lead Organisation / Group: Fulwell Road Sunderland SR6 9QW		
2.3 Contact Name for Project: Mike Cleasby	2.4 Position in Organisation: Day Services Manager	
2.5 Tel. Number: 5532255	2.6 Fax Number: 5532275	2.7 E-mail Address: Michael.Cleasby@sunderland.gov.uk
2.8 Day to Day Contact Name / Details (if different to 2.3 above): As above		
2.9 Legal Status of Organisation: Local Government	2.10 Registered Charity Number (if applicable):	
<u>Section 3 : Project Details</u>		
3.2 Project Title: (Please re-state title as per front sheet) Development of hydrotherapy pool/ Sensory room		
3.2 Project Start Date: June 2004	3.3 Project End Date: On-going	
3.4 Please describe the project: The people of Sunderland built Fulwell Hydrotherapy pool in 1986. Residents of Sunderland North fund raised to develop the pool. Eighteen years on and we have over 300 members of the community using the pool on a weekly basis. Users of the pool have said that that they would like it if we could turn the pool into a sensory environment and also create a sensory room. We currently have many community groups using the pool including: Thompson Park Nursery – (children, North Sunderland) Washington Multi Purpose Centre- (people with disabilities) Nookside Day Centre – (learning & physical disabilities)		

Mental Health Matters – (Southwick)
 Autistic Society – (Thornehill)
 Dene Bungalow – Newcastle Road.
 Multiple Sclerosis Society – (City Wide)
 Redby Suite – (adults with profound disabilities)
 Back Pain Group – (City Wide)
 Physiotherapy Department – (City Wide)
 Wendover Close, Meadow Rise (children’s homes)
 Leatham, Selby Close, Blackwood Road, Shakinah and Casamia (residential service for people with disabilities)
 Autistic Society – (Careyhill)
 Autistic Society – (Thornhill)
 Redcar House, Leonard House, Woodlands (services for older people)
 Parents Support Group – (City Wide)
 Thompson Park Family Support Group – (City Wide, Washington & Hetton).

The pool is so busy that the service users who attend the day centre only use the pool twice in a week. Although Fulwell Day Centre maintains the pool we do not have the financial resources to support this project without help.
 In conjunction with the Wearside Community Development Trust we would like to increase the profile and opportunities for people who would benefit from a hydrotherapy pool

3.5 What service does the organisation currently provide and how will this be complemented by the project?

The organisation provides a social care/leisure facility for people unable to access a normal swimming pool. If this venture is supported we will increase the number of people accessing the pool and may include opportunities such as aqua natal classes.

3.6 What additional activity will SIB funding allow to happen?

(Please tick the appropriate statement)

- f) A project will go ahead which otherwise would not happen at all []
- g) A project will be provided to a higher quality / on a greater scale []
- h) The funding will accelerate the implementation of the project by 12+ months []
- i) A gap in funding will be filled pending other funding being secured []
- j) Other reason []

Please explain your answer:

Although Fulwell Day Centre maintains the pool we do not have the financial resources to fund this project. If all or part of the funding is not agreed then this venture will not proceed.

3.7 How will you publicise that you have received support from SIB?

We intend to contact the City of Sunderland Press office and hope to arrange publicity possibly using local newspaper and television networks.

3.8 Has there been any consultations concerning the need for this project?

Yes

If 'Yes' please provide details :

I have consulted with the various community groups who use the hydrotherapy pool & with colleagues from South of Tyne NHS Trust who say the project will have health improvement opportunities for many people.
I have recently consulted with a Local Councillor (Christine Shattock) and I have the support from my Head of Service (John Fisher).

Section 7: Financial Information

7.1 How much SIB funding is requested?

£15,000

7.2 Indicate the type of funding requested: (Please tick)

Capital []

Revenue []

Both []

7.3 Has funding been requested / allocated from any other sources, including Council Directorates and if so how much?

I have secured match funding from John Fisher – Head of Services.

7.4 What other funding alternatives have been considered and why were these not appropriate?

Considering funding from the Healthy City Grant (Maureen Bell)

7.5 What are the financial implications for the project should it not receive SIB funding?

The project would not go ahead if SIB funding is not partly or fully agreed.

7.6 When SIB expenditure is complete how do you intend to continue this project?

Fulwell day centre will continue to support the pool through effective management of current resources, and will fund any repairs to equipment purchased through this bid.

7.7 Provide a profile of projected costs:

Funding Source	2003/04	2004/05	2005/06	Total Cost
SIB :				
Coalfield		£2500		£2500
East		£2500		£2500
North		£2500		£2500
South		£2500		£2500

West		£2500		£2500
Washington		£2500		£2500
Other Sources: <i>(Please state)</i> 1) 2) 3)		£15,000 City of Sunderland (J Fisher)		£15,000
Total Cost:		£30,000		£30,000
7.8 Please provide a breakdown of the Total cost to show the main areas of expenditure: £21,169.10 quote from Sensory Company for work to hydrotherapy pool £8831.00 for remaining work to Sensory room.				

Development of Hydrotherapy pool/ Sensory Room

How the money was spent?

We received £2500 from each regeneration area, which was match funded by Social Services. The £30,000 was spent on developing the hydrotherapy pool into a multi-sensory environment, which a wide range of community groups would benefit from. We also created a sensory room within the day service, which has similar equipment to the pool. The sum of money was spent on equipment and labour.

Outcomes of the project?

The number of people accessing the pool has increased, and there are groups waiting for spaces. Since the facilities were redeveloped we have put quality assurance measures in place to ensure that we are meeting the needs of people who use the pool.

We have listened to customer feedback & purchased additional equipment such as children's changing bed, hand driers & a clock.

Other funding?

As a result of SIB funding we were able to attract £15,000 match funding from Social Services.

Key lessons and issues from the project?

The resource is very well utilised and feedback sheets have been completed by many of the user groups. The project has definitely added value to the resource. People have given me examples of how the sensory environment has helped promote physiotherapy, as well as create a safe, stimulating environment for people with Autism and a number of other community groups. The project has suffered by an on-going recruitment problem. We have been trying to appoint a Pool Attendant for the last 12 months with no success. This has affected the number of people who can use the facilities.

Future Planning?

We do not need any additional funding at this time in order for the project to continue. We charge £1 for people using the pool for recreational purposes. We do not charge for people who need to use the pool for physiotherapy or another associated health condition. The income gained from the charge will pay for replacement light bulbs and spare parts.

Ged Donkin
Assistant Manager – Fulwell Day Centre

ANNEX 3

NORTH SUNDERLAND AREA COMMITTEE

**SCHEDULE FOR FEEDBACK REPORTS
(PREVIOUSLY FUNDED STRATEGIC INITIATIVES BUDGET)**

COMMITTEE DATE	PROPOSED PROJECTS
June	St Peter's Development Trust Development of Hydrotherapy Pool - Fulwell Day Centre
September	Summerbell Allotments Thompson Park
November	The Green Team Sunderland North Family Zone
January	SNCBC Kitchen Refurbishment North Side Initiative

NORTH SUNDERLAND AREA COMMITTEE

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STRATEGIC INITIATIVES BUDGET UPDATE

Report of the Director of Development and Regeneration

1.0 Purpose Of The Report

1.1 This report provides Members with an update on live projects for which the Area Committee has previously approved funding through its Strategic Initiatives Budget.

2.0 Background

2.1 Members will recall that each Regeneration Framework area has been allocated a minimum of £200,000 per annum over the last eleven years from the Strategic Initiatives Budget to promote action on key priorities identified in the relevant Area Regeneration Framework document. Over this period, therefore the Framework area has been allocated £2,333,080. An update on all projects that are still operating is attached as Appendix 1.

3.0 Recommendations

3.1 That this report be noted.

Background Papers

- Strategic Initiatives Budget (SIB): Regeneration Issues Reports to previous Area Committees
- Regeneration Framework File, North Sunderland
- Events Budget application forms

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APPENDIX 1

2003/4 Project Allocations					
Project	Approval	Alloc. £k	Exp to date	Balance £k	Lead Agent
Friends of Hylton Dene	04.03.04	4.275	2.769	1.506	Friends of Hylton Dene
SIB Funding is to support volunteers and interim administration costs re progressing the project, (Virement and change of use of original allocation from May 2002). The project and expenditure are progressing well and on target.					
2004/5 Project Allocations					
Project	Approval	Alloc. £k	Exp to date	Balance £k	Lead Agent
St Peter's Development Trust Steering Group	04.03.04	22.981	20.989	1.992	Sunderland North Community Business Centre
SIB Funding was sought to contribute to 'Start Up' costs for the St Peter's Development Trust Steering Group. Costs include temporary base costs (inc heating, lighting, security, rent, telephones etc) transport and insurance, admin & stationary and a development budget. Development work has now commenced and expenditure has now commenced. .					
Project	Approval	Alloc. £k	Exp to date	Balance £k	Lead Agent
Area Renewal & Regeneration of Eppleton & Castletown Areas	06.05.04	15	12.243	2.757	Development & Regeneration
Following on from a recent city-wide private sector stock condition survey, Neighbourhood Renewal Assessments have been undertaken on individual streets in priority areas of the City, and it has been found that wider area work is required to produce sustainable neighbourhoods. As a result of the findings the Council through the aid of SIB funding are currently working towards the development of two Area Renewal Programmes. Regeneration Plans are being developed for each of the two areas and a 'delivery vehicle and programme' for at least the next 2/3 years that could include housing renewal, development, renovation, environmental design. Consultant now in place.					
Project	Approval	Alloc. £k	Exp to date	Balance £k	Lead Agent
North Side Initiative Admin Support	13.01.05	2.258	1.731	0.527	S.N.C.B.C
The Northside Initiative was initiated in March 2000 and takes on a significant role in relation to the development of the North area in that it brings together representation from the public, voluntary and private sectors to share information and develop multi-agency services for residents. SIB funding allows the continuation of admin support and a central point of contact for the project and its partners. Currently expenditure is ongoing.					

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Project	Approval	Alloc. £k	Exp to date	Balance £k	Lead Agent
Area Committee Marketing Project	10.03.05	4	0	4	Development & Regeneration
Funding across all six Area Committees of £4,000 per Committee to provide a dedicated marketing communications function to all Area Committees. This will include developing a comprehensive 'Communications Strategy' which will maximise publicity for all SIB and Community Chest funded projects. This will be achieved through various communications tools including, local press coverage, newsletters and display material. Funds from other areas have been utilised to date. The project					
2005/6 Project Allocations					
Project	Approval	Alloc. £k	Exp to date	Balance £k	Lead Agent
North Side Initiative Admin Support	13.01.05	4.630	0	4.630	S.N.C.B.C
Year 2 of funding to support part-time admin support for the North Side Initiative to help develop and co-ordinate their role within the community. Funds from other sources have been utilised to date. The project has until January 2007 to spend.					
Project	Approval	Alloc. £k	Exp to date	Balance £k	Lead Agent
Enon Baptist Church - Community Facilities	10.03.05	25	1.841	23.159	Enon Baptist Church
SIB funding will contribute towards the refurbishment of the church. Work will include a new heating and fire systems, replacement windows & doors and building of additional storage areas etc. The refurbishment is also needed to comply with the recent Disability Discrimination Act (DDA) and to make the building more attractive for use from other groups from within the local community. The builders have been contracted, though there have been delays, and the project is scheduled for completion by late summer of 2006. Expenditure is ongoing.					
Project	Approval	Alloc. £k	Exp to date	Balance £k	Lead Agent
Sunderland North Youth Equipment Loan Scheme	09.06.05	18.850	0	18.850	S.N.C.B.C
The aim of the project is to develop a bank of equipment which is suitable for use by young people at their youth clubs within the North Sunderland area. The scheme will be promoted in ten local youth clubs by the youth workers and it is envisaged that the scheme will enable young people to take part in a range of activities around leisure, arts and crafts, IT and life skills, to pursue both educational awareness and hobbies. A range of equipment included in the scheme would be badminton, tennis, cricket, football, health and beauty products, clay work, karaoke and computer equipment etc. Expenditure will be completed by summer.					

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Project	Approval	Alloc. £k	Exp to date	Balance £k	Lead Agent
Castletown & Eppleton Neighbourhood Renewal Programme Community Consultation & Communication	09.06.05	7.5	0	7.5	Development & Regeneration

Joint SIB approval from Coalfield and North areas. Funding is to be used to provide a more extensive community consultation and communication programme for the Neighbourhood Renewal Programme in Eppleton & Castletown, and will ensure community engagement is developed and retained on the programmes. Any activity and progress will be communicated to residents via one central point, so they are kept up-to-date and have a face-to-face point of contact to receive information and ask questions on the ongoing works. Funds from other sources have been utilised to date. The project has until June 2007 to spend.

Project	Approval	Alloc. £k	Exp to date	Balance £k	Lead Agent
North Events Budget	08.09.05	10	1.175	8.825	Development & Regeneration

An Events Budget has been established for the North Area Committee. It is intended to enhance the support that the Committee is able to offer to support local groups operating in the area.

Project	Approval	Alloc. £k	Exp to date	Balance £k	Lead Agent
Horticultural Training at Doxford Park	08.09.05	1.5	0.893	0.607	Bishopwearmouth Horticultural Nursery

The project is a partnership between the Council and NHS Mental Health Trust to provide horticultural training, leading to pre-NVQ qualifications for people with learning disabilities. SIB funding across all six areas, is to be used as a contribution towards the costs of equipment to support this Vocational Scheme. The project and expenditure are ongoing.

Project	Approval	Alloc. £k	Exp to date	Balance £k	Lead Agent
Volunteer Outreach Project	08.09.05	3.333	0	3.333	Volunteer Outreach Project

Funding across all six areas to enable the centre to commence provision of an Outreach Service across the six Area Frameworks within the city. SIB Funding will be used as a contribution towards the cost of an Outreach and Development Worker, an Admin Officer, equipment, stationary and staff travel etc. Project has experienced delays in recruiting staff but has until September 2007 to spend.

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Project	Approval	Alloc. £k	Exp to date	Balance £k	Lead Agent
Construction Challenge Project	03.11.05	6.5	0	6.5	Sunderland Housing Group
<p>The Construction Challenge Project will provide construction skills training opportunities on new housing development sites, for year 10 & 11 pupils across the City opting for an alternative curriculum route into construction. This allocation is to build upon the successful work of the original pilot project 'Construction Skills at Farringdon School' and extend it City -Wide. Currently there are 42 pupils taking part in the project at various sites across the City, which include Carley Hill and up and coming sites in the Coalfields and Doxford Park. The project and expenditure are ongoing with funds from other areas being spent first. The project has until September 2007 to spend.</p>					
Project	Approval	Alloc. £k	Exp to date	Balance £k	Lead Agent
The Phoenix Project - Community Outreach Programme	03.11.05	6	0	6	The Phoenix Project
<p>SIB funding will be used to expand the Phoenix Project which works in partnership with the Youth Offending Service, by delivering intensive work experience and courses to offenders, with the Fire Brigade. SIB funding will contribute towards the refurbishment and upgrade of the Community Safety Centre by providing a lecturer room in which the courses etc can be held. Funds from other areas are being spent first. The project has until September 2007 to spend.</p>					
Project	Approval	Alloc. £k	Exp to date	Balance £k	Lead Agent
"Building Bridges" - A Book of Wearmouth	03.11.05	5.5	0	5.5	The Bridges Partnership
<p>SIB funding will be used to create a book of modern calligraphy, inspired by the work of the celebrated monastic scriptorium of St Peter's Wearmouth. Through the help of SIB funding the publication will be launched on a greater scale, raising awareness of the local heritage of the City and providing cultural and educational opportunities for both the local community and local schools. To date no expenditure has been sought as the project experienced delays in securing certain key contributions. However a draft has been produced and completion is expected in the near future.</p>					
Project	Approval	Alloc. £k	Exp to date	Balance £k	Lead Agent
Improvements to Early Years Outdoor Play Provision	12.01.06	10	0	10	Hylton Castle Primary School
<p>SIB funding will be used to improve early years provision at Hylton Castle Primary School, to enhance access to outdoor learning in a secure environment. The improvements will include new doors from the reception classroom to the outdoor areas, with new paths, ramps, sand pits, flower beds and play equipment. The project has until January 2008 to spend.</p>					

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Project	Approval	Alloc. £k	Exp to date	Balance £k	Lead Agent
Sunderland Juvenile Service	12.01.06	11.4	0	11.4	Sunderland Juvenile Service

The project through the help of SIB funding aims to encourage young people at risk of offending or re-offending to take part in constructive training, learning and leisure pursuits in the hope of diverting them from anti-social or criminal behaviour. SIB Funding across all six areas will enable the project to attract further match funding, which in turn will allow the expansion of the existing service and contribute towards their ultimate aim of reducing youth offending and preventing re-offending, by offering information, guidance and support to young people, their families and carers. The project has experienced delays due to staffing. Expenditure will commence in June 2006 and is expected to be complete by January 2008.

Project	Approval	Alloc. £k	Exp to date	Balance £k	Lead Agent
North Community Support Project	12.01.06	22.3	0	22.3	S.N.C.B.C

SIB funding over two years to contribute towards the cost of a development worker who will work alongside St Peter's Community Development Trust, Castletown CA and the community facilities at the Bunny Hill centre. Through the help of SIB funding the development worker post will be extended, which will allow the provision of a support network for the group to help them produce a delivery plan, for the St Peter's area. A new worker has recently been recruited and expenditure will be reported on the next Live Update report.

Project	Approval	Alloc. £k	Exp to date	Balance £k	Lead Agent
Castle View School	12.01.06	20	0	20	Castle View School

SIB funding is to be used as a contribution towards new sports facilities at Castle View School. The work includes the installation of a secure floodlit mixed use all-weather area, where football, netball and tennis. The facilities will be available to the school during school time and for after school activities, and also to the community for evening, weekends and holidays.

Project	Approval	Alloc. £k	Exp to date	Balance £k	Lead Agent
EU Development Fund Package	09.03.06	20.016	2.272	17.744	Development & Regeneration

SIB is supporting the programme management and administrative costs, towards the development of the EU Package Plans. The project provides valuable technical and administrative support to the Package Partnership in continuing to develop and manage the Sunderland Targeted Communities (Priority 4) Package during the second phase of the Objective 2 Programme (2004-2006). As a result of the continuation of SIB Funding the project has secured further funding streams which has resulted in around £7m of European grant being secured for projects in the Package. This has enabled the Development of 65 individual projects, covering a wide range of Community Economic Development Activity, to be undertaken in some of the most deprived areas of the City. 55 projects have currently been approved by Government Office North East to a combined grant value of £6.3m. An further extension to the project was granted at the Area Committee meeting, March 2006. Currently expenditure is ongoing.

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2006/7 Project Allocations					
Project	Approval	Alloc. £k	Exp to date	Balance £k	Lead Agent
EU Development Fund Package	09.03.06	12.440	0	12.440	Development & Regeneration
Year 2 of 3 year funding to support programme management and administrative costs, helping towards the development of the EU Package Plans.					
Project	Approval	Alloc. £k	Exp to date	Balance £k	Lead Agent
Construction Challenge Project	03.11.05	5	0	5	Sunderland Housing Group
Year 2 of 2 year funding to provide construction skills training opportunities on new housing development sites, for year 10 & 11 pupils across the City opting for an alternative curriculum route into construction. This allocation is to build upon the successful work of the original pilot project and extend it City -Wide.					
Project	Approval	Alloc. £k	Exp to date	Balance £k	Lead Agent
Eco Rangers	09.03.06	1.5	0	1.5	Community & Cultural Services
SIB Funding from all six areas, is to support the Eco Rangers event during May 2006. The project raises environmental awareness amongst school children and enables the schools involved, to implement environmental auditing of the classroom. The Eco Rangers project is now in its seventh year and has proved very successful throughout this time.					
Totals		239.983	43.913	196.070	

NORTH SUNDERLAND AREA COMMITTEE MEETING
8th June 2006

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY SHEET – PART I

Title of Report:

STRATEGIC INITIATIVES BUDGET (SIB): REGENERATION ISSUES REPORT

Author(s):

DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT AND REGENERATION

Purpose of Report:

This report requests Area Committee consideration of proposals for the allocation of Strategic Initiatives Budget (SIB) to support a variety of new initiatives that will benefit the area.

Description of Decision:

The Committee is requested to approve the following:

- i) £2,500 from the 2006/7 budget as a contribution to developing the Barnes Park café and craft workshop;
- ii) £10,000 from the 2006/7 budget as a contribution to providing play equipment in Hylton Park;
- iii) £3,120 from the 2006/7 budget as a contribution to improving the health and independent living of Sunderland's elderly people;
- iv) £3,560 from the 2006/7 budget as a contribution to community based arts workshops at Southwick Primary School;
- v) £3235 from the 2006/7 budget for the provision of an air conditioning unit at the community IT Facility at Castletown Primary School;
- vi) £2,330 from the 2006/7 budget for the provision of summer play activities at Marley Potts Play Barn;
- vii) Extension of funding for the Friends of Hylton Dene project;
- viii) Formally endorse the approval of projects, previously considered subject to budget approval, from the 2006/7 budget.

Is the decision consistent with the Budget/Policy Framework?

Yes

If not, Council approval is required to change the Budget/Policy Framework

Suggested reason(s) for Decision:

Each Regeneration Framework area has been allocated a minimum of £200,000 per annum over the last eleven years from the Strategic Initiatives Budget to promote action on key priorities identified in the relevant Area Regeneration Frameworks, and to attract other funding into the area.

Alternative options to be considered and recommended to be rejected:

None	
Is this a “Key Decision” as defined in the Constitution? No	Relevant Review Committee: Regeneration Review Committee
Is it included in the Forward Plan? No	

NORTH SUNDERLAND AREA COMMITTEE

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STRATEGIC INITIATIVES BUDGET (SIB): REGENERATION ISSUES REPORT

Report of the Director of Development and Regeneration

1.0 Purpose Of The Report

1.1 This report outlines current expenditure from the Strategic Initiatives Budget (SIB) and applications for funding from this budget in order to support new initiatives, which will benefit the area.

2.0 Description of Decision (Recommendation)

2.1 The Committee is requested to approve the following:

- Funding to support proposals for new projects. Full application is included in Annex 1.
- Formally endorse the approval of projects previously considered, subject to budget approval, from the 2006/7 budget, as included in Annex 2
- Request to extend funding of previous allocation beyond projected completion date, as included in Annex 3
- Criteria for SIB funding is included in Annex 4

3.0 Background

3.1 Each Regeneration Framework area has been allocated a minimum budget of £200,000 per annum over the last eleven years. Over this period, therefore, the Framework area has been allocated £2,333,380.

3.2 Annex 5 gives a summary of allocations since its creation in 1996/7 and a full breakdown of individual projects since 2001/2.

4.0 Current Position

4.1 At the last Committee meeting on 9th March 2006, it was reported that the full 2005/6 budget was allocated. £52,140 was committed from the 2006/7 budget (subject to budget approval). At that meeting, the Committee agreed to further proposals for funding totalling £1,500 from the 2006/7 budget (subject to budget approval). These approvals mean

the 2005/6 budget is fully committed and £53,640 is committed from the 2006/7 budget (subject to budget approval).

- 4.2 Applications for funding are presented to this Committee requesting £24,745 from the 2006/7 budget. Should the Committee grant this request, and endorse the approval of projects previously considered, subject to budget approval included in Annex 2, £78,385 will be committed from the 2006/7 budget.

5.0 Reasons for the Decision

- 5.1 SIB was established to promote action on key priorities identified in the relevant Area Regeneration Frameworks, and to attract other funding into the area. Applications for SIB funding should demonstrate the potential benefits to local communities the proposed project would bring, and subsequently be able to provide evidence and statistics that can illustrate these benefits.

6.0 Alternative Options

- 6.1 Each project is required to indicate what alternative options they have considered in section 7.4 of its application form, which is attached as Annex 1.

7.0 Relevant Consultations

7.1 Financial Implications

Each project is required to indicate what financial implications there may be in section 7.5 of its application form, which is attached as Annex 1.

7.2 Implications for Other Services

Each project is required to indicate what implications there may be for other services in section 3.11 of its application form, which is attached as Annex 1. They are also required to identify any support or sponsorship that might be required from a City of Sunderland Council Directorate in Section 3.12 of its application form.

7.3 The Public

Each project is required to indicate what consultation it has undertaken and other documentary evidence it has to support its proposal in sections 3.8 and 3.9 of its application form, which is attached as Annex 1.

7.4 The Race Relations (Amendment) Act 2000 and the Councils Race Equality Scheme.

Each project is required to indicate whether it has an equal opportunities policy, or what measures it employs to address equal opportunity issues, in Section 4 of its application form, which is attached as Annex 1.

7.5 Public Relations and Publicity

Each project is required to indicate how it will promote SIB via project publicity in Section 3.7 of the application form. The Marketing and Communications Co-ordinator for the City of Sunderland Council implements the publicity and public relations schedule on behalf of the Area Committee.

7.6 Procurement and Purchasing

Each project is required to provide details of how they will ensure that the procurement and purchasing of services and equipment will be managed in accordance with requirements as detailed in the guidance notes and guidelines, in Section 7.10 of its application form, which is attached as Annex 1.

8.0 List of Appendices

- 8.1 Annex 1 Proposal to this Area Committee meeting for SIB funding
- 8.2 Annex 2 Request to formally endorse projects previously considered, subject to budget approval
- 8.3 Annex 3 Request to extend funding of previous allocation
- 8.4 Annex 4 SIB Criteria and guidelines
- 8.5 Annex 5 Summary of SIB allocations since 1996/7 and a full breakdown of individual projects since 2003/4.

9.0 Background Papers

- 9.1 Strategic Initiatives Budget (SIB): Regeneration Issues Reports to previous Area Committees
- 9.2 Regeneration Framework Files, North Sunderland

Project Application 1- Barnes Park Café/Workshop Development

SIB Requested: £20,000 total: £7,500 West and East; £2,500 South and North

Section 1: Application Requirements

1.1: Please note that this application will be presented to the relevant Area Committee for its consideration when determining your SIB Grant Application. The Agenda and the Minutes of the Area Committee Meeting will be available for inspection by members of the public. Please therefore ensure that your organisation is agreeable to the content of the information that is set out in the form.

The Application Form should be provided in either electronic (e-mail or floppy disc) or typed format.

If you have a problem with returning this form in either electronic or typed format, please contact the appropriate Area Regeneration Officer. Contact / address details are provided on the covering letter and in the Guidance Notes and Criteria and Project Guidelines

Please note that a representative of your organisation must be available to attend the pre-agenda and main committee meeting(s) to which this application is presented, as they may be required to answer questions. Failure to attend the meeting(s) may result in your application being deferred or rejected. Dates and Venues of future meetings are provided as supporting information.

1.2 Which Area Regeneration Framework(s) does the project cover? (please tick)

Coalfield	<input type="checkbox"/>	East	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	North	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Washington	<input type="checkbox"/>	West	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	South	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Section 2: Sponsor Details

2.1 Name of Lead Organisation / Group:

Fulwell Day Centre
City of Sunderland Council

2.2 Address of Lead Organisation / Group:

Fulwell Road
Sunderland
SR6 9QW

2.3 Contact Name for Project:

Mike Cleasby

2.4 Position in Organisation:

Day Services Manager

2.5 Tel. Number:

5532255

2.6 Fax Number:

5532275

2.7 E-mail Address:

Michael.cleasby@ssd.sunderland.gov.uk

2.8 Day to Day Contact Name / Details (if different to 2.3 above):

As above	
2.9 Legal Status of Organisation: Local Government	2.10 Registered Charity Number (if applicable): N/A
2.11 Does your organisation have a bank account into which funds can be paid? Yes	
2.12 Has the organisation received SIB support previously? Yes <u>If 'Yes' please provide details:</u> In 2004 we received SIB funding to redevelop the community hydrotherapy pool at Fulwell Day Centre. The pool now has a range of sensory equipment, which has enhanced the environment for users. The total sum from six area committees was £15,000. In 2005 we received SIB funding of £3,000 from the North Area Committee for a feasibility study for a community based arts studio. The aim of this project is to promote social inclusion for artists who have a learning disability. The feasibility study is on going but is looking very promising.	
2.13 Are any trustees / members of the organisation employed by the City Council? Yes <u>If 'Yes' please provide details:</u> The staff who work at Fulwell Day Centre are employed by the City Council.	

<u>Section 3 : Project Details</u>	
3.1 Project Title: Barnes Park Café Development	
3.2 Project Start Date: April 2006	3.3 Project End Date:
3.4 Please describe the project: The project is similar to the successful project at Doxford Park, which SIB contributed to in 2005. In conjunction with the Friends of Barnes Park & Community & Cultural Services, we plan to develop a café and craft area within the Coach House of Barnes Park. Fulwell Day Centre has successfully run a café within the day service for 9 years, and we feel the Barnes Park Café project is an exciting employment opportunity for economically inactive adults who have learning disabilities. The café will work towards reducing perceived inequalities for adults who have learning disabilities, and will promote social inclusion for a historically isolated group of citizens. We believe that the development of this	

project will promote community cohesion for local residents. We know that the park is well used by a range of community groups & we aim to promote good citizenship through this project.

We envisage the project will develop into a Social Firm (Enterprise), and we are currently working with Social Enterprise Sunderland to develop this proposal.

The café & craft area will assist with the continued redevelopment of the park, whilst providing employment and training opportunities for economically inactive adults.

3.5 What service does the organisation currently provide and how will this be complemented by the project?

Barnes Park has recently been developed and the Coach House has been modernised. A café & craft workshop within the park would further enhance the facilities and attract more people into the park.

3.6 What additional activity will SIB funding allow to happen?

(Please tick the appropriate statement)

- a) A project will go ahead which otherwise would not happen at all []
- b) A project will be provided to a higher quality / on a greater scale []
- c) The funding will accelerate the implementation of the project by 12+ months []
- d) A gap in funding will be filled pending other funding being secured []
- e) Other reason []

Please explain your answer:

Without the support of SIB & the Learning Disability Development Fund the project would not go ahead. We require the support of both in order to redecorate & equip the café/ craft areas.

3.7 How will you publicise that you have received support from SIB?

(Please refer to Section 3 of the guidance notes)

We will publicise support from SIB through:

- ❖ Local Press
- ❖ Learning Disability Newsletter
- ❖ Council newsletters
- ❖ Any other method suggested by the SIB Marketing and Communications Co-ordinator.

3.8 Has there been any consultations concerning the need for this project?

Yes

If 'Yes' please provide details :

We have consulted with the Social Enterprise Sunderland, Friends of Barnes Park & Community & Cultural Services. The project will provide community based training opportunities for the Centre's service users and enhance the

facilities for visitors to the park.										
<p>3.9 Is there any documentary evidence available to support the need for this project?</p> <p>No</p> <p>If 'Yes' please provide details:</p>										
<p>3.10 Who will benefit from the services provided by the project?</p> <p>The development will lead to employment opportunities for economically inactive adults from across the City who have learning disabilities. Any profit will either pay for wages, developing the scheme or be ploughed back into Barnes Park. The project will also benefit residents throughout the City, but we are aiming to enhance the quality of the Park, whose main catchment is residents from the East & West of the City.</p>										
<p>3.11 Will there be any implications for Council Services arising from this project?</p> <p>Yes</p> <p>If 'Yes' please provide details:</p> <p>Community & Cultural Services will continue to have overall management of the Park and are the landlord for the project. The project will improve services provided by Social Services.</p>										
<p>3.12 Does this project require the support of a City of Sunderland Council Directorate?</p> <p>Yes, Social Services and Community and Cultural Services Directorates</p> <p>If 'Yes' please provide details:</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>John Fisher</td> <td>Ian Coburn</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Head of Service</td> <td>Service Manager</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Social Services</td> <td>Parsons Depot</td> </tr> <tr> <td>50 Fawcett Street</td> <td>Parsons Industrial Estate.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Sunderland</td> <td>Washington</td> </tr> </table>	John Fisher	Ian Coburn	Head of Service	Service Manager	Social Services	Parsons Depot	50 Fawcett Street	Parsons Industrial Estate.	Sunderland	Washington
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<p>3.13 Are any legal and other approvals required?</p> <p>Yes</p> <p>If 'Yes' provide details of type of approval, date secured, or date expected to be secured:</p> <p>Community & Cultural Services are supporting the scheme but we still need to agree a service level agreement around rent etc.</p>										

Section 4: Equal Opportunities
<p>4.1 Does your organisation have an Equal Opportunities Policy?</p> <p>Yes</p>

If yes, please describe how the project will comply with the Policy:

The project will promote social inclusion & community cohesion for disadvantaged and minority groups.

If no, please describe how your organisation addresses equal opportunities issues:

4.2 Does your project specifically address any of the following issues?

Ethnic Issues No

If yes, please provide details as to how the project is in line with the Race Relations Act 1976:

Gender Issues No

If yes, please provide details as to how the project is in line with the Sex Discrimination Act 1975:

Disability Issues Yes

If yes, please provide details as to how the project is in line with the Disability Discrimination Act 1995

Core business is to identify needs and requirements of people with a disability and ensure they are involved/ valued in society.

Section 5: Relationship of Project to the Area Framework(s)

5.1 Identify which Area Regeneration Framework Action Plan Strategic Priorities this project will address through the use of SIB, and demonstrate how these will be achieved:

Complies with LAA - Economic Development & Enterprise, and Corporate Improvement Plan - Raising Standards and increasing participation in learning (SO6), Creating Inclusive Communities (SO8), Improve the effectiveness of partnership working (CP2), Creating a prosperous city (SO1), Helping disadvantaged residents to compete in the labour market (SO1/P6), Developing a highly skilled workforce (SO1/P2), Addressing those underlying long-term problems such as unemployment, poverty and poor housing that contribute to poor health (SO4/P4), Providing opportunities so that adults (19+) can improve literacy, Numeracy and ICT skills and access training, employment and higher education (SO6/P3), Promoting inclusion by challenging existing structures, policies and practice by encouraging the engagement of all communities (SO8/P3). Also more specific SSD things such as Valuing People, Independence, Well-being & Choice green paper and Improving Life chances for Disabled People White Paper 05 as well as being part of the Directorates' Modernisation of Adults Services.

5.2 Identify outputs / outcomes against which the delivery of the project

can be evaluated. Demonstrate how these will contribute to the Area Regeneration Framework(s).

Promote Lifelong learning for people of the City of Sunderland with a Learning disability.

Provide people with the skills and confidence to participate in open employment.

The regeneration of an unused building whilst providing the local community with a service.

Moving people from traditional day service activities into open employment opportunities.

Community integration for people with a Learning Disability through engaging with users of the Park/ local area, sandwich delivery service & people requiring the organic fruit & vegetables.

Partnership between Social Services, the Friends of Barnes Park & Community and Cultural Services.

5.3 If the project relates to two or more Framework Areas, on what basis have you decided how to share the costs?

The Park is primarily an asset for the West and East Regeneration Areas but the training and employment opportunities will also be of benefit to residents of the North and South Areas.

Section 6: Management Arrangements

6.1 Describe how the project will be managed:

The project will be managed by Mike Cleasby (Day Services Manager, Social Services) with a strategic overview from the Team Manager, General Manager & Head of Service.

6.2 Are there any significant risks or uncertainties that may affect either the timetable of the project, or whether it achieves its objectives?

Excessive vandalism/ theft may affect the continuity of the project and future funding applications.

Section 7: Financial Information

7.1 How much SIB funding is requested?

£20,000

7.2 Indicate the type of funding requested: (Please tick)

Capital []

Revenue []

Both []

7.3 Has funding been requested / allocated from any other sources, including Council Directorates and if so how much?				
We have provisionally been granted £10,000 Learning Disability Development Funding (LDDF).				
7.4 What other funding alternatives have been considered and why were these not appropriate?				
We applied for NRF funding but our outputs were felt to be too limited to achieve NRF targets.				
7.5 What are the financial implications for the project should it not receive SIB funding?				
The project would not go ahead if SIB funding were not agreed.				
7.6 When SIB expenditure is complete how do you intend to continue this project?				
With the support of Social Enterprise Sunderland the project will become self-managing. Social Services will continue to resource the project in the short term through use of Day Service staff.				
7.7 Provide a profile of projected costs:				
Funding Source	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08	Total Cost
SIB:				
Coalfield				N/A
East	£6,250	£1,250		£7,500
North		£2,500		£2,500
South		£2,500		£2,500
West	£6,898	£602		£7,500
Washington				N/A
Other Sources: <i>(Please state)</i>				
1)	LDDF			
2)	£10,000			£10,000(secured)
3)	Social Services £18,000 (Staff) £26,000 (Inclusive Communities Funding)			£18,000(secured) £26,000
Total Cost:				£74,000

7.8 Please provide details of any 'in-kind funding (e.g Peppercorn rents), if included within the 'Other Sources' of funding shown above.

The £10,000 LDDF funding has been secured.
We are hoping to agree a peppercorn rent with Community & Cultural Services & this will be a condition of the bid proceeding.
We have applied for £26,000 funding from the Inclusive Communities Fund for a delivery vehicle.

7.9 Please provide a breakdown of the Total cost to show the main areas of expenditure:

£8,100 for improvements to internal & external of building.
£15,800 equipment/ supplies.
£6,100 fuel, rent etc.
£18,000 Day Centre Officer wages
£26,000 Delivery Vehicle & 1 years running costs

7.10 Please provide details of how you will ensure that the procurement and purchasing of services and equipment will be managed in accordance with requirements as detailed in the guidance notes and guidelines.

Include any estimates that you have and details of any contractors or suppliers to be used.

All equipment and works will be purchased or undertaken by the appropriate Council department e.g. Property Services, and corporate procedures will be followed.

Section 8: Additional Information

8.1 Please provide any additional information that may be of use in support of your project proposal (Please append additional sheets if required):

The project will incorporate partnership working between Social Services, Community & Cultural Services, Friends of Barnes Park, Multi-agency Learning Disability Partnership Board (MaRG) linked to the LSP, City & Guilds and community volunteer groups.

We aim to improve employment opportunities for disadvantaged adults with disabilities in this area. The project will encourage citizens to feel embraced by the City's culture and have a sense of being valued and accepted by the community. This project will work towards achieving equal opportunities, community cohesion and social inclusion. This project would improve the quality of life for lower income groups by maximising their income and enabling them to contribute to the economy, also reducing social isolation within the City.

Section 9: Declaration

I declare that the information provided is correct and accurate and that, should this application be successful, the organisation will agree to the terms and conditions of SIB:

Name:

Michael Cleasby

Position in Organisation:

Day Services Manager – Social Services

Date:

21st December 2005

Project Application 2 - Provision of Play Equipment

SIB Requested: £10,000

Section 1: Application Requirements

1.1: Please note that this application will be presented to the relevant Area Committee for its consideration when determining your SIB Grant Application. The Agenda and the Minutes of the Area Committee Meeting will be available for inspection by members of the public. Please therefore ensure that your organisation is agreeable to the content of the information that is set out in the form.

The Application Form should be provided in either electronic (e-mail or floppy disc) or typed format.

If you have a problem with returning this form in either electronic or typed format, please contact the appropriate Area Regeneration Officer. Contact / address details are provided on the covering letter and in the Guidance Notes and Criteria and Project Guidelines

Please note that a representative of your organisation must be available to attend the pre-agenda and main committee meeting(s) to which this application is presented, as they may be required to answer questions. Failure to attend the meeting(s) may result in your application being deferred or rejected. Dates and Venues of future meetings are provided as supporting information.

1.2 Which Area Regeneration Framework(s) does the project cover? (please tick)

Coalfield	<input type="checkbox"/>	East	<input type="checkbox"/>	North	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Washington	<input type="checkbox"/>	West	<input type="checkbox"/>	South	<input type="checkbox"/>

Section 2: Sponsor Details

2.1 Name of Lead Organisation / Group:

The Play and Urban Games Section of Project Development (Community & Cultural Services Directorate)

2.2 Address of Lead Organisation / Group:

South Hylton House, South Hylton, Sunderland SR4 0JL

2.3 Contact Name for Project:

Su Yip

2.4 Position in Organisation:

Project Development Manager

2.5 Tel. Number:

0191 5534685

2.6 Fax Number:

0191 5534592

2.7 E-mail Address:

Su.
Yip@sunderland.gov.uk

2.8 Day to Day Contact Name / Details (if different to 2.3 above): Alternative phone number 0191 5534586	
2.9 Legal Status of Organisation: Local Authority	2.10 Registered Charity Number (if applicable):
2.11 Does your organisation have a bank account into which funds can be paid? No	
2.12 Has the organisation received SIB support previously? Yes If 'Yes' please provide details: February 2003 £3,531 to provide a basketball facility on open space Whinfell Albany Washington.	
2.13 Are any trustees / members of the organisation employed by the City Council? Yes If 'Yes' please provide details: The Project Development Section is part of the Community and Cultural Services Directorate of the Council.	

<u>Section 3 : Project Details</u>	
3.1 Project Title: (Please re-state title as per front sheet) Provision of Play Area Equipment	
3.2 Project Start Date: August 2006	3.3 Project End Date: September 2006
3.4 Please describe the project: The £10,000 SIB funding requested, will, if approved, be used to purchase and install a new "Mobilus" in Hylton Castle play area. This equipment will replace an item, which has become beyond reasonable repair. The justification for providing this equipment is that it is one of the most popular and well-used play items in the playground. The play value of this Mobilus is considered to be very high and caters for the needs of children approaching teenage years and above.	
3.5 What service does the organisation currently provide and how will this be complemented by the project? The Play and Urban Games Section of Project Development (Community & Cultural Services) is responsible for providing and developing safe play and urban games facilities throughout Sunderland City. The section is responsible for delivering the Play and Urban Games strategy. This project will support this work as it will help maintain a balanced range of play equipment that will stimulate children into physical activity while using the playground. The power of play to improve health, well-being and early learning is	

supported Nationally.

"From an early age, play is important to a child's development and learning. It isn't just physical. It can involve cognitive, imaginative, creative, emotional and social aspects. It is the main way most children express their impulse to explore, experiment and understand"

Getting Serious About Play, A Review of Children's Play, 2004

"It is estimated that up to 15% of children in the UK are overweight or obese"

Avoiding Childhood Obesity, Bupa Health Information Team, February 2004. The City of Sunderland Council recognises that play is a key tool in the prevention of childhood obesity. "walking and playing provide children with more physical activity than most other activities" **Prof Roger Mackett, Centre for Transport Studies, 2004**

3.6 What additional activity will SIB funding allow to happen?

(Please tick the appropriate statement)

- a) A project will go ahead which otherwise would not happen at all [
- b) A project will be provided to a higher quality / on a greater scale [
- c) The funding will accelerate the implementation of the project by 12+ months [
- d) A gap in funding will be filled pending other funding being secured [
- e) Other reason [

Please explain your answer:

The SIB contribution will be used to replace an item of equipment, which is currently unusable and not deemed to be an economic repair.

3.7 How will you publicise that you have received support from SIB?

(please refer to Section 3 of the guidance notes)

The Project will work with the Development and Regeneration Directorate's Marketing Team to publicise the project and the support it receives from the Area Committee and SIB. This will include acknowledgement on letterhead, press releases, newsletters, and website, as well as site construction boards.

3.8 Has there been any consultations concerning the need for this project?

Yes

If 'Yes' please provide details :

Following numerous enquiries by members of the public, as to when the item of equipment was to be put back into service, and representations from Ward Councillors concerned that the play area was missing an important piece of play apparatus.

3.9 Is there any documentary evidence available to support the need for this project?

Yes

If 'Yes' please provide details :

- Formal Councillor request, log number 5934, dated 23rd September 2005 voicing concern over level of play equipment.
- Email correspondence between Sport & Leisure Partnership Manager and Councillor T Foster.

Nationally, play provision is viewed as an important service in every neighbourhood but where improvements are required.

"In 2001 a MORI survey showed that 'activities for young people' was ranked by adults as the single most requested improvement in local services. Other surveys show that parents believe that today's children have fewer opportunities to play than they did themselves"

Getting Serious About Play, A Review of Children's Play, 2004

- Sunderland Wards Index of Multiple Deprivation rank Hylton Castle 6th. There are limited numbers of quality areas for Children to play.

3.10 Who will benefit from the services provided by the project?

Children from 8 years upwards within the City of Sunderland and primarily the Hylton Castle area.

This site is recognised as a large sub-area and whilst primarily serves Hylton Castle area it will also attract children from 8 years upwards from Redhill, Castletown, Southwick, Fulwell and St. Peter's wards.

3.11 Will there be any implications for Council Services arising from this project?

Yes

If 'Yes' please provide details :

Community and Cultural Services Directorate inspect and maintain the play area at Hylton Castle. The Play and Urban Games Section carries out this function.

3.12 Does this project require the support or sponsorship of a City of Sunderland Council Directorate?

Yes

If 'Yes' please provide details:

Supported by the Director of Community and Cultural Services

3.13 Are any legal and other approvals required?

No

If 'Yes' provide details of type of approval, date secured, or date expected to be secured:

Section 4: Equal Opportunities

4.1 Does your organisation have an Equal Opportunities Policy?

Yes

If yes, please describe how the project will comply with the Policy:

City of Sunderland Equal Opportunities Policy, which encourages open access to services for all.

If no, please describe how your organisation addresses equal opportunities issues:

4.2 Does your project specifically address any of the following issues?

Ethnic Issues No

If yes, please provide details as to how the project is in line with the Race Relations Act 1976:

Gender Issues

If yes, please provide details as to how the project is in line with the Sex Discrimination Act 1975:

Disability Issues No

If yes, please provide details as to how the project is in line with the Disability Discrimination Act 1995

All equipped playgrounds are currently designed to be inclusive wherever practicable. Appropriate access to play areas is incorporated into the designs including the use of paths and gates.

Section 5: Relationship of Project to the Area Framework(s)

5.1 Identify which Area Regeneration Framework Action Plan Strategic Priorities this project will address through the use of SIB, and demonstrate how these will be achieved:

The project will focus on the City Strategic Objective of Extending Cultural Opportunities by addressing four City Objectives

1) Ensuring A Sense Of Place

The replacement of this play equipment will enhance the existing play facilities within Hylton Castle Play Park therefore further improving use of the open amenity space. The varied play equipment on offer will contribute to promotion of the park.

2) Delivery of 'ActiveCity'

Play areas create a safe environment for Children from 8 years upwards to play, which encourage the Children to be more active and healthier.

3) Increased Creativity, Education and Participation and

<p>Development of Appropriate Infrastructure Local people have been and will continue to be involved in the decision making process. Ward Councillors were consulted about the replacement required. The Play and Urban Games Strategy highlights a hierarchy of provision for play whereby each regeneration area will have 3-4 sub-area sites, of which the large Hylton Castle site is one.</p> <p>4) Development of Partnership Working and Performance Management. Community and Cultural Services, Project Development Section will oversee the procurement and installation of the equipment by the manufacturer.</p>
<p>5.2 Identify outputs / outcomes against which the delivery of the project can be evaluated. Demonstrate how these will contribute to the Area Regeneration Framework(s). Effective maintenance of play areas is a benefit to the health, well-being and early learning of Children throughout the City of Sunderland. The project will contribute to the Community Services, Service Plan for Sport and Leisure priority references SO2/P2, SO2/P3, SO4/P1, CP2 and CPA19. The output will be to implement a Citywide approach to the funding of play with key partners and a shared plan. An agreement that the play area is maintained to British Standards for inspection BS EN1176.</p>
<p>5.3 If the project relates to two or more Framework Areas, on what basis have you decided how to share the costs? N/a</p>

<p><u>Section 6: Management Arrangements</u></p>
<p>6.1 Describe how the project will be managed: Community and Cultural Services will manage and deliver the project.</p>
<p>6.2 Are there any significant risks or uncertainties that may affect either the timetable of the project, or whether it achieves its objectives? Adverse weather delaying the installation of equipment. Failure by nominated company to deliver equipment on time.</p>
<p><u>Section 7: Financial Information</u></p>
<p>7.1 How much SIB funding is requested? £10,000</p>
<p>7.2 Indicate the type of funding requested: (Please tick)</p> <p>Capital [<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>] Revenue [<input type="checkbox"/>] Both [<input type="checkbox"/>]</p>
<p>7.3 Has funding been requested / allocated from any other sources, including Council Directorates and if so how much?</p>

£3,000 Will be allocated from the Community & Cultural Services Capital Reserves.				
7.4 What other funding alternatives have been considered and why were these not appropriate?				
The City's Capital funds for Play and Urban Games have been considered but this site is not viewed as a City priority at this current time due to greater needs in other areas of the City including major deficits in provision.				
7.5 What are the financial implications for the project should it not receive SIB funding?				
The project would not go ahead.				
7.6 When SIB expenditure is complete how do you intend to continue this project?				
On completion of installation the equipment together with the site at Hylton Castle will be managed and maintained by Sunderland City Council.				
7.7 Provide a profile of projected costs:				
Funding Source	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08	Total Cost
SIB:				
North Area	10,000			10,000
Other Sources: <i>(Please state)</i>	3,000 (Community & Cultural Services Capital Reserves).			3,000
Total Cost:	13,000			13,000
7.8 Please provide details of any 'in-kind funding (e.g Peppercorn rents), if included within the 'Other Sources' of funding shown above.				
In-kind support has been given by Community & Cultural Services in advice and guidance to establish the project. In addition, the Community & Cultural Services are committed to inspect and maintain the areas within current revenue budgets.				
7.9 Please provide a breakdown of the Total cost to show the main areas of expenditure:				
Description				Price
Mobilus, associated equipment and groundwork's				£8,401
Installation				£4,556
Total Project Cost				£12,957
7.10 Please provide details of how you will ensure that the procurement and purchasing of services and equipment will be managed in accordance with requirements as detailed in the guidance notes and guidelines.				
Include any estimates that you have and details of any contractors or suppliers to be used.				

The scheme will be managed using the City Council procurement and purchasing guidelines.

Companies asked to supply equipment were be on the City Council approved suppliers list.

Section 8: Additional Information

8.1 Please provide any additional information that may be of use in support of your project proposal (Please append additional sheets if required):

The project will contribute to delivery of the City of Sunderland Young People's Play and Urban Games Strategy in line with Service Plan Priority number 4 (Service delivery meeting the needs of young people)

The outcome is to increase the opportunities for young people to access leisure, social and cultural facilities (and activities) in the City.

City of Sunderland Planning for Play June 2003 recommended

"Areas of deficiency should be assessed for development of larger quality play areas thereby maximising potential of existing open spaces and giving greater value to funding opportunities." Hylton Castle is viewed as a sub-area site to be mentioned.

The project supports the outcomes for 'Every Child Matters'.

Section 9: Declaration

I declare that the information provided is correct and accurate and that, should this application be successful, the organisation will agree to the terms and conditions of SIB:

Name:

Su Yip

Position in Organisation:

Project Development Manager

Date:

11.5.06

Project Application 3 - Improving the health and independent living of Sunderland's older people

SIB Requested: £18720 (£3120 per Area Committee)

Section 1: Application Requirements

1.1: Please note that this application will be presented to the relevant Area Committee for its consideration when determining your SIB Grant Application. The Agenda and the Minutes of the Area Committee Meeting will be available for inspection by members of the public. Please therefore ensure that your organisation is agreeable to the content of the information that is set out in the form.

The Application Form should be provided in either electronic (e-mail or floppy disc) or typed format.

If you have a problem with returning this form in either electronic or typed format, please contact the appropriate Area Regeneration Officer. Contact / address details are provided on the covering letter and in the Guidance Notes and Criteria and Project Guidelines

Please note that a representative of your organisation must be available to attend the pre-agenda and main committee meeting(s) to which this application is presented, as they may be required to answer questions. Failure to attend the meeting(s) may result in your application being deferred or rejected. Dates and Venues of future meetings are provided as supporting information.

1.2 Which Area Regeneration Framework(s) does the project cover? (please tick)

Coalfield	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	East	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	North	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Washington	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	West	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	South	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Section 2: Sponsor Details

2.1 Name of Lead Organisation / Group:

Sit 'n' 'b' Fit Limited – a social enterprise

2.2 Address of Lead Organisation / Group:

Hendon Co-op Centre, 44 Mowbray Road, Hendon, Sunderland, SR2 7DN

2.3 Contact Name for Project:

Lynn Summerside

2.4 Position in Organisation:

Co-op Member / Director

2.5 Tel. Number:

07725587692

2.6 Fax Number:

0191 5101105

2.7 E-mail Address:

esummerside@btinternet.com

2.8 Day to Day Contact Name / Details (if different to 2.3 above):

as above

2.9 Legal Status of Organisation:

2.10 Registered Charity Number (if applicable):

Workers Co-operative (with charitable objectives)	
2.11 Does your organisation have a bank account into which funds can be paid? Yes	
2.12 Has the organisation received SIB support previously? No <u>If 'Yes' please provide details:</u>	
2.13 Are any trustees / members of the organisation employed by the City Council? No <u>If 'Yes' please provide details :</u>	

<u>Section 3 : Project Details</u>	
3.1 Project Title: (Please re-state title as per front sheet) Improving the health and independent living of Sunderland's older people	
3.2 Project Start Date: June 2006	3.3 Project End Date: March 2007
3.4 Please describe the project: The project aims to improve the health, mobility and to extend peoples ability to sustain independent living through appropriate exercise. The 'appropriateness' is delivered by using our expertise in 'seated' exercise programmes. Seated exercise increases a person's stamina, balance, co-ordination, suppleness, flexibility, and improves lung capacity and helps provide a healthy heart (include the reduction in cholesterol). In so doing it has a major impact on their well being, confidence and reduces stress. Importantly it also improves their safety by reducing the risk of falls. The numbers and effects of falls on older people is of major concern to the TPCT which promotes this type of exercise as one of the best ways of tackling the problem. The service can be provided to groups or individuals either in their own home or in other establishments. In this case this programme is aimed at people living in the City's residential, nursing and sheltered accommodations. The programme will run for 1 hour per week for 20 weeks periods .Each session will be conducted by a qualified leader in this field and will be accompanied by music. It is effective whilst being fun and a good social occasion for all those concerned. It will also instil in the participants the benefits of seated exercise which will have an impact once the programme has finished i.e. it will encourage the individuals to continue the exercises because of the demonstrated improvements in their health, confidence and self esteem. It will also encourage the general public to come into the establishments by offering them to take part in the exercise classes with their family to increase the residents social interaction which can bring substantial benefits to their quality of life.	

The intention is to run the programme in 5 residential, nursing or sheltered accommodations in each of the 6 area frameworks (giving a total of 30 homes). Each establishment will contribute 20% towards the cost. We have undertaken market research (via questionnaires) which has indicated that there is a demand for the proposal and there will be no problem with take-up or participation in the programme (25 homes have already signed up for the programme).

Alongside the exercise programme for the service users, and to ensure the long term sustainability of the project once the SIB money has come to an end, we will provide a training programme for 12 members of staff from the homes to enable them to deliver seated exercise in the future.

The maximum for one training course is 12 people. This reflects our belief that 40% of homes will sign up staff for the training. If this is the case we will select staff from 2 homes in each area to benefit from the training to match the funding apportionment.

The training programme will last for 1 day per week for 12 weeks (total of 30 hours per trainee) and they will receive the qualification - Seated Exercise – NVQ level 2. The 12 week course will begin 8 weeks into the 20 Sit n b Fit sessions to allow the staff and the sheltered accommodation to familiarise themselves with the work and for them to choose the most appropriate member of staff.

The training provider, will be the Keep Fit Association (KFA). KFA was chosen because of competitive pricing and the reputation of the organisation in this field. In addition each trainee will need to undertake First Aid training. This will be delivered by Occupational Health Services.

Sit 'n' 'b' Fit Limited will also undertake 4 follow up visits to homes to offer support and advice to the member of staff.

3.5 What service does the organisation currently provide and how will this be complemented by the project?

Sit 'n' 'b' Fit already undertakes seated exercise in residential, nursing and sheltered accommodations on behalf of Age Concern, Teaching Primary Care Trust, Back on the Map – NDC, Wearmouth Community Development Trust Association, Fulwell Day Centre, Little Sisters of the Poor and others.

This project will not only improve the health, safety and independent living prospects of approximately 600 (this equates to 20 people per home for 30 homes) of the City's older residents, but also to increase the awareness of the benefits of seated exercise for the users and providers of care for older people, and will create 12 newly qualified seated exercise tutors (there is presently a real shortage of tutors in the City)

3.6 What additional activity will SIB funding allow to happen?

(Please tick the appropriate statement)

- a) A project will go ahead which otherwise would not happen at all []
- b) A project will be provided to a higher quality / on a greater scale [x]

- c) The funding will accelerate the implementation of the project by 12+ months []
- d) A gap in funding will be filled pending other funding being secured []
- e) Other reason []

Please explain your answer:

This funding will enable us to offer seated exercise to a much greater number of people. It will also help us promote the benefits and impact of the service in a very practical way to a much wider audience. This will be of help to the City's older people, those with physical and mental health problems, and others who could benefit from seated exercise for many years to come.

We will train 12 care staff to become qualified 'keep fit tutors' (seated exercise – NVQ level 2) which will make a contribution to improving the health of the City's older people well beyond the life of this programme.

3.7 How will you publicise that you have received support from SIB?
(please refer to Section 3 of the guidance notes)

This project is likely to receive a lot of publicity and full acknowledgement will be given to the support of SIB funding. This will be achieved by working with the SIB funded Area Marketing project. Acknowledgement of SIB will also be passed to the clients and their carers / accommodation

3.8 Has there been any consultations concerning the need for this project?

Yes

If 'Yes' please provide details :

We have distributed a questionnaire to 60 of the City's residential, nursing and sheltered accommodations, and, at the time of writing, 25 had responded positively and stated they would contribute 20% of the cost. A 40% positive response to a mail out of this sort bodes well for the future take up of the proposal i.e. when we intensively promote the service if the application is successful.

3.9 Is there any documentary evidence available to support the need for this project?

Yes

If 'Yes' please provide details:

According to the Health Development Agency seated exercise helps reduce the risk of falls, whilst increasing leg strength, balance and co-ordination.

3.10 Who will benefit from the services provided by the project?

This proposal is aimed at those older people who are starting to face problems with independent living. Approximately 600 (20 residents per home) individuals will benefit

3.11 Will there be any implications for Council Services arising from this project?

Yes – The project will make a significant contribution towards raising levels of physical activity for older people.

3.12 Does this project require the support or sponsorship of a City of Sunderland Council Directorate?

No

If 'Yes' please provide details :

Community and Cultural Services have been consulted in the development of this application.

3.13 Are any legal and other approvals required?

No

Section 4: Equal Opportunities

4.1 Does your organisation have an Equal Opportunities Policy?

No

If yes, please describe how the project will comply with the Policy:

If no, please describe how your organisation addresses equal opportunities issues:

Enshrined in the co-operative principles and rules is a commitment to equal opportunities:

'In carrying out its objectives the co-operative shall have regard to promoting equality of opportunity for all sections of the community both within its own affairs and within society generally, and to assisting people in need by any means whatsoever.'

4.2 Does your project specifically address any of the following issues?

Ethnic Issues No

Gender Issues No

Disability Issues Yes

If yes, please provide details as to how the project is in line with the Disability Discrimination Act 1995

In line with the DDA, Sit n b Fit will ensure that disabled learners will have a positive experience of learning and that the service will aim to recognise and respond to their particular requirements.

Section 5: Relationship of Project to the Area Framework(s)

5.1 Identify which Area Regeneration Framework Action Plan Strategic Priorities this project will address through the use of SIB, and demonstrate how these will be achieved:

City objective – working with those communities and groups who

experience higher levels of ill health to ensure we can respond in ways in which are most relevant to their needs

Local – improved provision for older people

Actions –

1) Research the needs of older people....,

The project has / will involve market research

2) Activities programmes established in sheltered accommodation

At least 30 sheltered accommodations will benefit

3) Identify funding opportunities to continue learning and leisure courses for older people

12 newly qualified leaders will be available to deliver further sessions

4) Develop Leisure programmes for older people

30 x 20 weeks exercise and leisure programmes

City objective – Addressing underlying long term problems such as unemployment, poverty, poor housing, which help determine poor health experience

Local – Need to encourage participation in health related matters.

Actions –

1) Promotion of sport, exercise and preventative programmes to assist the local community in development towards better health

30 x 20 weeks community based exercise programmes which increases independent living and prevents falls – a major concern for the NHS. 12 newly trained seated exercise teachers

2) Expansion of Healthy Living Centre activities around diet, health promotion, smoking cessation, and healthy lifestyle delivered at local venues.

30 x 20 weeks community based exercise programmes – delivered to at least 30 venues. 12 newly trained seated exercise teachers

3) More local facilities for health programmes

delivered to at least 30 venues. 12 newly trained seated exercise teachers

Local – To promote community led solutions to tackling health related issues

Actions –

1) Investigate mechanisms to ensure sustainability of community led initiatives

12 new leaders trained to deliver the service in the future

2) Co-ordinate community resources and initiatives

Using local residential, nursing and sheltered accommodations to deliver exercise programmes

3) Provision of health information at local venues

Using local residential, nursing and sheltered accommodations to promote the benefits of exercise.

4) Encourage community ownership of projects and community led solutions to tackling health related issues

Creation of a bank of qualified seated exercise teachers to deliver activity in the community.

5.2 Identify outputs / outcomes against which the delivery of the project can be evaluated. Demonstrate how these will contribute to the Area Regeneration Framework(s)

The main output is for 600 (see 3.5) older people to benefit health-wise from a 20 week exercise programme. The individual benefits of the exercise will be gauged and evaluated by the locations completing questionnaires at the beginning, mid-term and end of the programme.

There will be 12 newly qualified 'seated exercise' tutors (seated exercise – NVQ level 2).

Other outputs include develop 30 new local venues for the promotion and delivery of exercise programmes, and to support a social enterprise which aims to create a self financing services.

5.3 If the project relates to two or more Framework Areas, on what basis have you decided how to share the costs?

The aim is to provide the service across the City, the figures being calculated on 5 venues in each of the 6 areas delivering the exercise programmes.

The venues that have indicated their wish to take part already are:

1) Barnes Care Home, High Barnes, 2) Village Care Home, South Hylton, 3) St George Care Home, Washington, 4) River View Lodge Care Home, Southwick, 5) Field View, Residential Home, Southwick, 6) Pavilion Care Centre, Houghton le Spring, 7) Jubilee Nursing Home, Thornhill, 8) Beechcroft Residential Home, Thornholme, 9) Mayholme Residential Home Grangetown, 10) Thistledale, Hendon, 11) Watts Moses, East End, 12) Nelson Close Hendon, 13) Ashlea Grange, Philadelphia, 14) Ashlea Lodge Care Home, Millfield, 15) Glenholme House, Roker, 16) Princes House, Seaburn, 17) Hetton Day Centre (Bog Row) 18) Peace Haven, Washington, 19) Knoulberry Road, Blackfell, 20) Turnbull House, Southwick, 21) Ashlea Lodge, Newbottle, 22) Roseberry Court, Thorney Close, 23) Concord, Washington, 24) Albany House, Monkwearmouth..... **THE LIST CONTINUES TO GROW!**

If this application is successful we will intensively promote the project to ensure further take up from homes within each area. The budget allocation will be managed so that if we are unable to secure sufficient take up (i.e less than 5 care homes) from a particular area, then the SIB contribution from that area will be reduced accordingly, and any unused SIB will be returned to budget.

Section 6: Management Arrangements

6.1 Describe how the project will be managed:

The programme will be managed by Lynn Summerside, manager of the social enterprise and co-operative - Sit n b Fit. She has a track record of delivery of this type of programme for Age concern, Wearmouth Community Development Trust (including Fulwell Day Centre), Little Sisters of the Poor, WRVS, Hetton Day Centre etc.

6.2 Are there any significant risks or uncertainties that may affect either the timetable of the project, or whether it achieves its objectives?

The only identifiable risks are:

- 1) non – take up of the scheme by homes – Market research strongly suggests that demand will outstrip supply. If this becomes a problem, we will increase the level and intensity of marketing the programme to the City's numerous Nursing, Residential and Sheltered Accommodations.
- 2) Homes do not pay their 20% - Again the market research suggests otherwise but if any default then this cost will be borne by Sit n b Fit,
- 3) Older people do not want to do the exercise – the programme is not compulsory and it is down to the choice of the individual whether they participate or not. All my experience shows that seated exercise is very popular and becomes a real social event – it becomes one of the weeks highlights for residents.

Section 7: Financial Information

7.1 How much SIB funding is requested?

£18,720 in total (£3,120 per area)

See 7.9 for more detail

Seated exercise sessions in sheltered accommodation

(30 homes x 20 sessions per home x £20 per session) £12,000

Training of 12 sheltered accommodation staff (intensive 12 week programme – 30 hours of training).

Seated exercise– (NVQ – LEVEL 2) £5280
First Aid (12 x £20) £240

Follow up visits

12 homes x £100 (4 visits per home @ £25 per visit) £1200

Total **£18720**

7.2 Indicate the type of funding requested: *(Please tick)*

Capital [] Revenue [X] Both []

7.3 Has funding been requested / allocated from any other sources, including Council Directorates and if so how much?

Homes will contribute £3,000 (30 homes x 20 sessions per home x £5 per session)

7.4 What other funding alternatives have been considered and why were these not appropriate?

We are unaware of any other funding source which would meet the cost of this type and scale of project

7.5 What are the financial implications for the project should it not receive SIB funding?

The proposal will not go ahead – some homes may decide to meet the costs in full but these will be few and the number of local venues and beneficiaries will be severely reduced.

7.6 When SIB expenditure is complete how do you intend to continue this project?

The aim is for Sit n b Fit to show the benefits of the exercise to the homes and their clients during the period of the SIB support. This will then result in the continuance of the training by the homes and their clients meeting the costs of future exercise sessions themselves

7.7 Provide a profile of projected costs:

Funding Source	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08	Total Cost
SIB :				
Coalfield		3,120		3,120
East		3,120		3,120
North		3,120		3,120
South		3,120		3,120
West		3,120		3,120
Washington		3,120		3,120
Other Sources: (Please state)				
1) Contributions from Homes		3,000		3,000
Total Cost:		21,720		21,720

7.8 Please provide details of any 'in-kind funding (e.g Peppercorn rents), if included within the 'Other Sources' of funding shown above.

N/a

7.9 Please provide a breakdown of the Total cost to show the main areas of expenditure:

Seated exercise programme:

Trainer costs including transport, provision of equipment, and administration, monitoring and evaluating.

£25 per session is the accepted rate for this service.

30 homes x 20 weeks x £25 per session = **£15,000 (see 7.1)**

Training new tutors:

KFA Trainer – £3500, trainer expenses – travel £60 (£5 x 12), catering £720 (15 x £4 x 12), Room Hire £600 (£50 x 12), Administration and promotion £400. **total £5280**

First Aid Training

12 people @ £20 per person. **Total £240**

follow up visits to care homes to support their trained member of staff

12 homes x 4 visits @ £25 per visit. **Total £1200**

7.10 Please provide details of how you will ensure that the procurement and purchasing of services and equipment will be managed in accordance with requirements as detailed in the guidance notes and guidelines.

Include any estimates that you have and details of any contractors or suppliers to be used.

N/a

Section 8: Additional Information

8.1 Please provide any additional information that may be of use in support of your project proposal (Please append additional sheets if required):

Section 9: Declaration

I declare that the information provided is correct and accurate and that, should this application be successful, the organisation will agree to the terms and conditions of SIB:

Name: Lynn Summerside

Position in Organisation: Co-op Member / Director

Date: 9th May 2006

Project Application 4 – Southwick Primary Community Art Workshops

SIB Requested: £3,560.00

Section 1: Application Requirements

1.1: Please note that this application will be presented to the relevant Area Committee for its consideration when determining your SIB Grant Application. The Agenda and the Minutes of the Area Committee Meeting will be available for inspection by members of the public. Please therefore ensure that your organisation is agreeable to the content of the information that is set out in the form.

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1.2 Which Area Regeneration Framework(s) does the project cover? (please tick)

Coalfield	<input type="checkbox"/>	East	<input type="checkbox"/>	North	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Washington	<input type="checkbox"/>	West	<input type="checkbox"/>	South	<input type="checkbox"/>

Section 2: Sponsor Details

2.1 Name of Lead Organisation / Group:

Southwick Primary School

2.2 Address of Lead Organisation / Group:

c/o Southwick Primary School, Clarence Street, Southwick SR5 2HD

2.3 Contact Name for Project

Pauline Walmsley

2.4 Position in Organisation:

Project Co Ordinator

2.5 Tel. Number:

0191
5535500

2.6 Fax Number:

0191
5493822

2.7 E-mail Address:

Pauline.walmsley@schools.sunderland.gov.uk

2.8 Day to Day Contact Name / Details (if different to 2.3 above):

2.9 Legal Status of Organisation: Voluntary	2.10 Registered Charity Number (if applicable): N/A
2.11 Does your organisation have a bank account into which funds can be paid? Yes	
2.12 Has the organisation received SIB support previously? Yes 2004 If 'Yes' please provide details: Southwick Community Lantern Festival	
2.13 Are any trustees / members of the organisation employed by the City Council? Yes If 'Yes' please provide details: P.Walmsley, P.R. Stoker, Alice Donoghue	

Section 3 : Project Details

3.12 Project Title: (Please re-state title as per front sheet)

Southwick Primary Community Art Workshops

3.2 Project Start Date:

September 2006

3.3 Project End Date:

December 2006

3.4 Please describe the project:

Two weeks of art based workshops that encourage developing skills, promoting self esteem, confidence and providing opportunities for social interaction with family and community members.

The Southwick lantern festival has been running for a number of years. These workshops are part of this year's festival and the participants in the art workshops will display their work through the festival.

As a community, social, emotional and art based project, it focuses on involving the heart of the community in a creative art activity. Through this, it promotes and contributes to the positive aspects of living in the Southwick area particularly the community spirit and sense of belonging. It celebrates the talents and aspirations of its members in the light of massive deprivation and need for regeneration.

This is especially the case this year due to the massive changes facing the housing in the area at the current time.

3.5 What service does the organisation currently provide and how will this be complemented by the project?

Family learning courses, adult and community education courses including art, literacy, numeracy, ICT, personal and social, holistic health, family nurturing, wrap around care. The school adopts a holistic approach to its community and the lantern festival is a wonderful way to draw the 'heart' of

it together as a positive show of strength and vision through creative working.

3.6 What additional activity will SIB funding allow to happen?

(Please tick the appropriate statement)

- f) A project will go ahead which otherwise would not happen at all []
- g) A project will be provided to a higher quality / on a greater scale [x]
- h) The funding will accelerate the implementation of the project by 12+ months []
- i) A gap in funding will be filled pending other funding being secured []
- j) Other reason []

Please explain your answer:

The funding provides for the development of a number of workshops that will allow a greater number of community members to be involved in the overall lantern festival.

3.7 How will you publicise that you have received support from SIB?

(Please refer to Section 3 of the guidance notes)

Through media, newspaper, radio, and television and the SIB Communications Team.

3.8 Has there been any consultations concerning the need for this project?

Yes

If 'Yes' please provide details:

Through questionnaires and interviews with parents and members of the community, which formed the evaluation of previous years festivals. All responses have highlighted the community benefits of holding the festival, especially the workshop element.

3.9 Is there any documentary evidence available to support the need for this project?

Yes

If 'Yes' please provide details:

- Indexes of deprivation statistics
- The Southwick lantern festival has been running for a number of years. Each year an evaluation has been undertaken with consistently positive feedback from participants, visitors, artists and trainers.

3.10 Who will benefit from the services provided by the project?

All community members

3.11 Will there be any implications for Council Services arising from this project?

No

If 'Yes' please provide details:

3.13 Does this project require the support or sponsorship of a City of Sunderland Council Directorate?
No
If 'Yes' please provide details:

3.13 Are any legal and other approvals required?
No
If 'Yes' provide details of type of approval, date secured, or date expected to be secured:

Section 4: Equal Opportunities

4.1 Does your organisation have an Equal Opportunities Policy?
Yes
If yes, please describe how the project will comply with the Policy:
The workshops are for all our community regardless of race gender religion and disability
If no, please describe how your organisation addresses equal opportunities issues:

4.2 Does your project specifically address any of the following issues?
Ethnic Issues No
If yes, please provide details as to how the project is in line with the Race Relations Act 1976:
Gender Issues No
If yes, please provide details as to how the project is in line with the Sex Discrimination Act 1975:
Disability Issues No
If yes, please provide details as to how the project is in line with the Disability Discrimination Act 1995

Section 5: Relationship of Project to the Area Framework(s)

5.1 Identify which Area Regeneration Framework Action Plan Strategic Priorities this project will address through the use of SIB, and demonstrate how these will be achieved:

Citywide Priorities

Sense of place: To encourage citizens to feel embraced by the city's culture
Aim to work with partners to provide a wide range of opportunities within leisure facilities, schools, community centres and other venues
Lifelong Learning

5.2 Identify outputs / outcomes against which the delivery of the project can be evaluated. Demonstrate how these will contribute to the Area Regeneration Framework(s).

Developing and delivering community projects
Number of successful creative workshops

5.4 If the project relates to two or more Framework Areas, on what basis have you decided how to share the costs?

Section 6: Management Arrangements

6.1 Describe how the project will be managed:

A steering group is comprised of representatives from staff parents adults and children in the community.

Overall project management will be through Southwick Primary School

6.2 Are there any significant risks or uncertainties that may affect either the timetable of the project, or whether it achieves its objectives?

No

Section 7: Financial Information

7.1 How much SIB funding is requested?

£3560

7.2 Indicate the type of funding requested: (Please tick)

Capital []

Revenue []

Both [x]

7.3 Has funding been requested / allocated from any other sources, including Council Directorates and if so how much?

We will be requesting funding from Sunderland Housing Group

7.4 What other funding alternatives have been considered and why were these not appropriate?

None

7.5 What are the financial implications for the project should it not receive SIB funding?

The project will not be of the quality that the community deserves

7.6 When SIB expenditure is complete how do you intend to continue this project?

Through continual fundraising and possible sponsorship

7.7 Provide a profile of projected costs:

Funding Source	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08	Total Cost
SIB:				
Coalfield				
East				
North		£3560.00		
South				
West				
Washington				
Other Sources: (Please state) 1) SHA 2) 3)		£500		
Total Cost:		£4060		

7.8 Please provide details of any 'in-kind funding (e.g Peppercorn rents), if included within the 'Other Sources' of funding shown above.

School provides- premises costs, part staffing costs partial crèche costs and subsidised refreshments also the school will provide promotional materials and advertisement

7.9 Please provide a breakdown of the Total cost to show the main areas of expenditure:

2 Artists x £100 per day x 14 days =£2800

Materials £500

Advertising £100

Magician @ £80 x 2 sessions = £160

7.10 Please provide details of how you will ensure that the procurement and purchasing of services and equipment will be managed in accordance with requirements as detailed in the guidance notes and guidelines.

Include any estimates that you have and details of any contractors or suppliers to be used.

We will be using City of Sunderland Guidelines and all financial dealings etc will be conducted through the schools admin systems

Section 8: Additional Information

8.1 Please provide any additional information that may be of use in support of your project proposal (Please append additional sheets if required):

The workshops are although art based are a combined family activity which I feel should be promoted and celebrated. This will encourage conversation as well as opportunities to develop skills and possibly skill community members to sustain similar workshops in the future.

Section 9: Declaration

I declare that the information provided is correct and accurate and that, should this application be successful, the organisation will agree to the terms and conditions of SIB:

Name:

Pauline Walmsley

Position in Organisation:

Course Coordinator/

Date:

8/5/06

Project Application 5 - Healthier Learning Environment

SIB Requested: £3,235

Section 1: Application Requirements

1.1: Please note that this application will be presented to the relevant Area Committee for its consideration when determining your SIB Grant Application. The Agenda and the Minutes of the Area Committee Meeting will be available for inspection by members of the public. Please therefore ensure that your organisation is agreeable to the content of the information that is set out in the form.

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1.2 Which Area Regeneration Framework(s) does the project cover? (please tick)

Coalfield	<input type="checkbox"/>	East	<input type="checkbox"/>	North	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Washington	<input type="checkbox"/>	West	<input type="checkbox"/>	South	<input type="checkbox"/>

Section 2: Sponsor Details

2.1 Name of Lead Organisation / Group:
CASTLETOWN PRIMARY SCHOOL

2.2 Address of Lead Organisation / Group:
GRANGE ROAD, SUNDERLAND SR5 3EQ

2.3 Contact Name for Project:
Mr R Hennessey

2.4 Position in Organisation:
Head teacher

2.5 Tel. Number:
0191 553
5210

2.6 Fax Number:
0191 553
5212

2.7 E-mail Address:
Casletown.primary@schools.sunderland.gov.uk

2.8 Day to Day Contact Name / Details (if different to 2.3 above):

2.9 Legal Status of Organisation: LA SCHOOL	2.10 Registered Charity Number (if applicable):
2.11 Does your organisation have a bank account into which funds can be paid? <i>School budget</i>	
2.12 Has the organisation received SIB support previously? Yes <u>If 'Yes' please provide details:</u> <u>Security fencing & CCTV support 2002/3</u>	
2.13 Are any trustees / members of the organisation employed by the City Council? Yes / No If 'Yes' please provide details: Head teacher & other staff are also governors	

Section 3 : Project Details

3.1 Project Title: (Please re-state title as per front sheet)
HEALTHIER LEARNING ENVIRONMENT

3.2 Project Start Date:
JUNE 2006

3.3 Project End Date:
JULY 2006

3.4 Please describe the project:

To create a safer and healthier learning environment in our computer suite by installing air conditioning. All our community use these facilities.

3.5 What service does the organisation currently provide and how will this be complemented by the project?

Education and Sport. The project will provide better working conditions for children and adults and facilitate better productivity.

3.6 What additional activity will SIB funding allow to happen?

(Please tick the appropriate statement)

- a) A project will go ahead which otherwise would not happen at all [X]
- b) A project will be provided to a higher quality / on a greater scale []
- c) The funding will accelerate the implementation of the project by 12+ months []
- d) A gap in funding will be filled pending other funding being secured []
- e) Other reason []

Please explain your answer:

Capital funding within school is going on a major project in relation to

disabled. This funding will provide an important enhancement of facility.

3.7 How will you publicise that you have received support from SIB?
(Please refer to Section 3 of the guidance notes)
Parental communications, Governors reports, Web site, Newspaper through press officer.

3.8 Has there been any consultations concerning the need for this project?

Yes / ~~No~~

If 'Yes' please provide details:
It came through pupil and parental questionnaires as an identified need.

3.9 Is there any documentary evidence available to support the need for this project?

~~Yes~~ No (please delete)
Health & Safety checks have identified the need.

If 'Yes' please provide details:

3.10 Who will benefit from the services provided by the project?
Pupils, staff and members of the wider community.

3.11 Will there be any implications for Council Services arising from this project?

~~Yes~~ No

If 'Yes' please provide details:

3.12 Does this project require the support or sponsorship of a City of Sunderland Council Directorate?

~~Yes~~ No

If 'Yes' please provide details:

3.13 Are any legal and other approvals required?

~~Yes~~ No

If 'Yes' provide details of type of approval, date secured, or date expected to be secured:

Section 4: Equal Opportunities

4.1 Does your organisation have an Equal Opportunities Policy?

Yes

If yes, please describe how the project will comply with the Policy:

Entitlement to safer healthier environment for all. A conducive learning environment.

If no, please describe how your organisation addresses equal opportunities issues:

4.2 Does your project specifically address any of the following issues?

Ethnic Issues Yes No

If yes, please provide details as to how the project is in line with the Race Relations Act 1976:

Gender Issues Yes No

If yes, please provide details as to how the project is in line with the Sex Discrimination Act 1975:

Disability Issues Yes No

If yes, please provide details as to how the project is in line with the Disability Discrimination Act 1995

Section 5: Relationship of Project to the Area Framework(s)

5.1 Identify which Area Regeneration Framework Action Plan Strategic Priorities this project will address through the use of SIB, and demonstrate how these will be achieved:
Improving Health & Social Care

5.2 Identify outputs / outcomes against which the delivery of the project can be evaluated. Demonstrate how these will contribute to the Area Regeneration Framework(s).
Health needs of young people. Provision for older members of our community.

5.3 If the project relates to two or more Framework Areas, on what basis have you decided how to share the costs?

Section 6: Management Arrangements

6.1 Describe how the project will be managed:
By Head teacher and Governors.

6.2 Are there any significant risks or uncertainties that may affect either the timetable of the project, or whether it achieves its objectives?
No

Section 7: Financial Information

7.1 How much SIB funding is requested?

£3,235

7.2 Indicate the type of funding requested: (Please tick)

Capital Revenue Both

7.3 Has funding been requested / allocated from any other sources, including Council Directorates and if so how much?

No

7.4 What other funding alternatives have been considered and why were these not appropriate?

None

7.5 What are the financial implications for the project should it not receive SIB funding?

It will be delayed or not happen.

7.6 When SIB expenditure is complete how do you intend to continue this project?

Sustainability from school budget. Maintenance.

7.7 Provide a profile of projected costs:

Funding Source	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09	Total Cost
SIB:				
North	3235			
Other Sources: (Please state) 1)				
Total Cost:	£3235			

7.8 Please provide details of any 'in-kind funding (e.g Peppercorn rents), if included within the 'Other Sources' of funding shown above.

None

7.9 Please provide a breakdown of the Total cost to show the main areas of expenditure:

Air Conditioning	£2490
Electrical Work	£450
Security cage	£295
Total	£3235

7.10 Please provide details of how you will ensure that the procurement and purchasing of services and equipment will be managed in accordance with requirements as detailed in the guidance notes and guidelines.

Include any estimates that you have and details of any contractors or suppliers to be used.

We have followed contractual /tender guidelines. 3 estimates provided.

Section 8: Additional Information

8.1 Please provide any additional information that may be of use in support of your project proposal (Please append additional sheets if required):

This project will enhance the use of an excellent resource by providing a conducive environment for learning. It will raise standards and levels of concentration.

Section 9: Declaration

I declare that the information provided is correct and accurate and that, should this application be successful, the organisation will agree to the terms and conditions of SIB:

Name:
R Hennessey

Position in Organisation:
Headteacher

Date:
11.5.06

Project Application 6 - Summer Activities Programme

SIB Requested: £2330

Section 1: Application Requirements

1.1: Please note that this application will be presented to the relevant Area Committee for its consideration when determining your SIB Grant Application. The Agenda and the Minutes of the Area Committee Meeting will be available for inspection by members of the public. Please therefore ensure that your organisation is agreeable to the content of the information that is set out in the form.

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1.2 Which Area Regeneration Framework(s) does the project cover? (please tick)

Coalfield	<input type="checkbox"/>	East	<input type="checkbox"/>	North	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Washington	<input type="checkbox"/>	West	<input type="checkbox"/>	South	<input type="checkbox"/>

Section 2: Sponsor Details

2.1 Name of Lead Organisation / Group:

Marley Potts Play Barn

2.2 Address of Lead Organisation / Group:

Old Mill Road
Southwick, Sunderland

2.3 Contact Name for Project:

John Askew

2.4 Position in Organisation:

Co Chairperson

2.5 Tel. Number:

0191 553 5500

2.6 Fax Number:

0191 5493822

2.7 E-mail Address:

2.8 Day to Day Contact Name / Details (if different to 2.3 above):

P. Walmsley

2.9 Legal Status of Organisation: Voluntary	2.10 Registered Charity Number (if applicable):
2.11 Does your organisation have a bank account into which funds can be paid? Yes Lloyds TSB Fawcett St Sunderland. Acc 2579046	
2.12 Has the organisation received SIB support previously? No If 'Yes' please provide details:	
2.13 Are any trustees / members of the organisation employed by the City Council? Yes If 'Yes' please provide details: P.Walmsley, P.R. Stoker, J.Askew Management Committee	

Section 3 : Project Details

3.1 Project Title: (Please re-state title as per front sheet)
Summer Fun Activity sessions

3.2 Project Start Date:
July 06

3.3 Project End Date:
August 06

3.4 Please describe the project:

The project is to enhance the current term time play provision and provide provision through the summer holidays:

- Providing summer activity sessions for children in the area
- Replacing and updating equipment to enable this to happen

3.5 What service does the organisation currently provide and how will this be complemented by the project?

The Play Barn is managed through Southwick Primary School and provides play and sports activities for the children in the local community during school term time, including:

Boxing gym; running; circuit training; sports; organised games

The above provision is funded mainly by the Police and Sunderland Housing Group

3.6 What additional activity will SIB funding allow to happen?
(Please tick the appropriate statement)

- a) A project will go ahead which otherwise would not happen at all []

- b) A project will be provided to a higher quality / on a greater scale
- c) The funding will accelerate the implementation of the project by 12+ months
- d) A gap in funding will be filled pending other funding being secured
- e) Other reason

Please explain your answer:

The project is run during school terms and evenings only. The funding will allow a one off summer programme to run, this has not been done before but through consultations with parents and children we have identified a need. The money will renew old equipment and create funding for a play worker to work alongside the coach and extend the provision and also provide sessions during school summer holidays

3.7 How will you publicise that you have received support from SIB?
(Please refer to Section 3 of the guidance notes)

Through media, press and any promotional flyers and Development and Regeneration Service's Marketing Team

3.8 Has there been any consultations concerning the need for this project?

Yes

If 'Yes' please provide details:

Interviewing parent carers and young people who use the facility

3.9 Is there any documentary evidence available to support the need for this project?

Yes

If 'Yes' please provide details:

Indices for deprivation

3.10 Who will benefit from the services provided by the project?

Young people from at risk of offending group
Young people who have low confidence and self-esteem.
Community members

3.11 Will there be any implications for Council Services arising from this project?

No

If 'Yes' please provide details:

3.12 Does this project require the support or sponsorship of a City of Sunderland Council Directorate?

No

If 'Yes' please provide details:

Not at present

3.13 Are any legal and other approvals required?

No

If 'Yes' provide details of type of approval, date secured, or date expected to be secured:

Section 4: Equal Opportunities

4.1 Does your organisation have an Equal Opportunities Policy?

Yes

If yes, please describe how the project will comply with the Policy:

The project follows the Southwick Primary School's and the LEA's policies in delivering inclusive access for local children

If no, please describe how your organisation addresses equal opportunities issues:

4.2 Does your project specifically address any of the following issues?

Ethnic Issues No

If yes, please provide details as to how the project is in line with the Race Relations Act 1976:

Gender Issues No

If yes, please provide details as to how the project is in line with the Sex Discrimination Act 1975:

Disability Issues No

If yes, please provide details as to how the project is in line with the Disability Discrimination Act 1995

Section 5: Relationship of Project to the Area Framework(s)

5.1 Identify which Area Regeneration Framework Action Plan Strategic Priorities this project will address through the use of SIB, and demonstrate how these will be achieved:

Encouraging participation in health related activities

5.2 Identify outputs / outcomes against which the delivery of the project can be evaluated. Demonstrate how these will contribute to the Area Regeneration Framework(s).

Delivering projects to reduce stress and mental health

Address the health needs of young people
Encourage healthy lifestyles

5.3 If the project relates to two or more Framework Areas, on what basis have you decided how to share the costs?

Section 6: Management Arrangements

6.1 Describe how the project will be managed:

A management committee comprising of local school staff parents and community members

6.2 Are there any significant risks or uncertainties that may affect either the timetable of the project, or whether it achieves its objectives?

Limited life of building

Section 7: Financial Information

7.1 How much SIB funding is requested?

£1,819.65

7.2 Indicate the type of funding requested: (Please tick)

Capital []

Revenue []

Both [X]

7.3 Has funding been requested / allocated from any other sources, including Council Directorates and if so how much?

Sunderland Housing Group and Northumbria Police provide funding towards the cost of the term time activities.

7.4 What other funding alternatives have been considered and why were these not appropriate?

7.5 What are the financial implications for the project should it not receive SIB funding?

The project will not run

7.6 When SIB expenditure is complete how do you intend to continue this project?

Through continual funding and possible sponsorship

7.7 Provide a profile of projected costs:

Funding Source	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08	Total Cost
SIB:				
North	£2,330			£2,330
Total Cost:	£2,330			£2,330

7.8 Please provide details of any 'in-kind funding (e.g. Peppercorn rents), if included within the 'Other Sources' of funding shown above.
Peppercorn rent Southwick Primary School

7.9 Please provide a breakdown of the Total cost to show the main areas of expenditure:

Coach x 3 hours x 20 sessions @ £10.00 = £600
Play worker x 3hours x 20 sessions@ £8.00 =£480
Activity chest x 2 @ £69.95 £139.90
Ball storage trolley £144.95
Hoops @ £9.99 £39.96
Starter set for throwing £79.99
Giant 4 in a row £104. 95
6 M parachute £114.95
Total cost of equipment is £624.70

7.10 Please provide details of how you will ensure that the procurement and purchasing of services and equipment will be managed in accordance with requirements as detailed in the guidance notes and guidelines.

Include any estimates that you have and details of any contractors or suppliers to be used.

Through Southwick Primary School finance system

Section 8: Additional Information

8.1 Please provide any additional information that may be of use in support of your project proposal (Please append additional sheets if required):

Southwick Primary school are part of the management committee of marley potts play barn and have agreed to take responsibility for financial aspects in accordance with City of Sunderland guidelines

Section 9: Declaration

I declare that the information provided is correct and accurate and that, should this application be successful, the organisation will agree to the terms and conditions of SIB:

Name:

Pauline Walmsley

Position in Organisation:

Management Committee

Date:

08/05/06

PROJECTS PREVIOUSLY APPROVED 'SUBJECT TO BUDGET APPROVAL FOR FINANCIAL YEAR 2006/7

The following projects have all been approved 'subject to budget approvals' from the 2006/7 budget.

The Area Committee is requested to formally endorse previous approvals as detailed below:

1. EU Development Fund Project

The EU development Fund Package Project was allocated a total of £104,649 for the period 1st March to 31 December 2006 from three area committees (north, west and east)

The project reported an underspend due to a lower than anticipated staffing resource. The project requested and extension until December 2007. The extension was requested to allow the project to continue at current levels until a GONE review has been completed.

Year 2 SIB requested 2006/7 £12,440

Lead agent Development and Regeneration

Date approved subject to budget approval: 9th March 2006

2. Eco Rangers

Eco Rangers involves a multi agency approach to Environmental Education for year 5 (9- 10 year olds). The project raises environmental awareness amongst the children and enables the school to implement environmental auditing of the classroom, and to contribute towards the recycling statistics for the City.

Without SIB support schools would have to pay for their own transport, which some will not be able to afford. This would exclude many pupils from the event. The event would possibly have to be cut shorter as there would be insufficient funds to hire the marquees and cabins for 14 days.

Year 2 SIB requested 2006/7 £1500

Lead agent Community and Cultural Services

Date approved subject to budget approval: 9th September 2004

3. Construction Challenge Project

Year 2 of funding for the Sunderland Housing Group led Construction Challenge project . This operates on a City wide basis and provides construction skills training opportunities, which are delivered on new housing development sites to year 10 & 11 pupils as a vocational option within the 14-19 curriculum. The initiative is geared towards initiating an interest in construction as a career option from an early age whilst hopefully attracting a mixed range of ability pupils into the construction industry which is currently experiencing acute skills shortages. (CITB Foresight Report)

Funding will extend this successful initiative in order that pupils from all secondary schools across the city can attend as part of an alternative curriculum, studying towards the Foundation Certificate in Building and Craft Occupations (FCBCO). This will require the opening of another Construction Training Facility and the employment of two additional staff.

Year 2 **SIB requested 2006/7** **£5,000**

Lead agent **Sunderland Housing Group**

Date approved subject to budget approval: 3rd November 2005

4. Castle View School Conference

Year 2 of funding for the project. SIB to enable the school to take the new Year 7 pupils at Castle View School out to work with key members of the community e.g the police, health officials, thereby developing an understanding of the role(s) which these members play, and an awareness of their expectations of the community they serve.

Year 2 **SIB requested 2006/7** **£4750**

Lead agent **Castle View School**

Date approved subject to budget approval: 9th September 2004

5. North Community Support Project

Year 2 of funding for the project. SIB will enable a North Community Support Project to provide support groups in the north area. The ST Peters development trust will be supported in documenting a delivery plan for the St. Peters area, identifying relevant partner organisations

and Networks and compiling and submitting funding applications to enable service delivery. Castletown CA will be assisted in examining potential methods to attract funding and/or create revenue and to further develop the skills of the members to enable them to effectively direct the Organisation in the future and opportunities within the Bunny Hill centre will be developed and promoted.

Year 2	SIB requested 2006/7	£29,950
Lead agent	Sunderland North Community Business Centre	
Date approved subject to budget approval: 12th January 2006		

REQUESTS FOR EXTENSION OF FUNDING

Friends of Hylton Dene

In May 2002, the North Area Committee approved £15,000 to the Friends of Hylton Dene, to carry out a Feasibility Study relating to a proposed Education and Visitor Centre at Hylton Castle. This feasibility study was completed and the remaining SIB Funding was earmarked to support volunteers and interim administration costs re progressing the project, (Virement and change of use of original allocation from May 2002).

The project and expenditure are progressing well although an extension to the remaining funding for an additional 6 months is requested.

The Area Committee is requested to extend £1,506 for 6 months

**STRATEGIC INITIATIVES BUDGET (SIB)
CRITERIA AND PROJECT GUIDELINES**

1 ABOUT THE SIB FUND

- 1.1 SIB was established in 1996/7 to promote action on key priorities identified in the relevant Area Regeneration Frameworks, and to attract other funding into the area. Each Regeneration Framework area is currently allocated a minimum of £200,000 per year. Applications for funding are approved by the relevant Area Committee or Cabinet.
- 1.2 SIB is approved on an annual basis as part of the full Council budget process in February or March each year. It is possible that due to financial constraints in a particular year, the allocation may be reduced or withdrawn. Approvals from future years' SIB allocations are therefore subject to this budget process and cannot be guaranteed.
- 1.3 Applications therefore will only be approved for the current year unless exceptional circumstances can be established, such as the need to secure other funding over a period of time or enable the recruitment or retention of staff to proceed. Projects that apply for funding from future years' allocations do so at their own risk.

2 APPLYING FOR SIB

- 2.1 The Council's Development and Regeneration Directorate administers SIB through its Regeneration and Housing Service. Any project wishing to enquire about a possible application, or who have any queries regarding the process, should in the first instance, contact the relevant Area Regeneration Officer below :

Bill Blackett Sunderland East, and the Coalfields
Telephone 553 1162 Fax 553 1599
e-mail bill.blackett@sunderland.gov.uk

Karen Gillard Sunderland North, and Washington
Telephone 553 1214 Fax 553 1599
e-mail karen.gillard@sunderland.gov.uk

Richard Parry Sunderland South and Sunderland West
Telephone 553 1217 Fax 553 1599
e-mail richard.parry@sunderland.gov.uk

- 2.2 Once the suitability of the project has been established, an application form will be sent out electronically or by post accompanied by these guidelines, guidance notes for filling in the application form, and a copy

of the relevant Framework(s) and Action Plans. As a copy of the completed application form will be attached to a covering report as part of the Area Committee's agenda, we would appreciate it if the form could be returned electronically to the relevant Area Regeneration Officer at the appropriate e-mail address provided above. If this is not possible, a typed copy can be sent to the address shown on the covering letter. The covering letter will also provide the date of the next pre-agenda and the full Area Committee meetings, and the deadline for returning the completed application form.

- 2.3 Where an SIB application refers to inputs or support from other Council Directorates, either financial or otherwise, the Lead Agent should seek the agreement of the relevant Directorate. Agreement should be at the appropriate level within the Directorate and should be in place prior to the application being placed on the pre agenda. The appropriate Directorate contact name will be supplied and support or authorisation will be included in the application.
- 2.4 Where possible, a representative of the project must attend the pre agenda and the full Area Committee meetings in order to respond to any queries the Elected Members may have. Please note however, that attendees will not be expected to speak on behalf of the application but to respond to any questions there may be regarding the application
- 2.5 An application to the Area Committee should not be interpreted as a guarantee of its approval. The Committee reserves the right to defer or reject any submission on the basis of available SIB funding in the current financial year and the project's suitability in the light of Area Framework priorities and SIB criteria. However, it will make a decision at the meeting whether to grant the full amount being requested, make a contribution of a lesser amount, defer the request or refuse the application.

3. CRITERIA FOR ELIGIBILITY

- 3.1 SIB is intended to address the Area Regeneration Framework priorities, which are identified in the Action plan . Although an application does not need to address these priorities in order to receive approval, preference will be given to those proposals that clearly demonstrate a link with the Action Plan.
- 3.2 Applications should also demonstrate the potential benefits to local communities the proposed project would bring, and subsequently be able to provide evidence and statistics that can illustrate these benefits.
- 3.3 SIB is mainly intended for one off projects, capital expenditure and "pump priming" of new initiatives. Revenue support can be included in any application, but this will only be at the commencement of a new project or as "gap funding" to enable a project to continue while other funding is being sought. Ongoing or repeat revenue or maintenance

costs, such as electricity or rent, will not normally be considered for SIB funding.

- 3.4 A major aim of SIB is to attract other funding into the area. While the lack of other funding would not disqualify any application, priority is given to those projects that are seeking or have secured additional funding from other sources such as Single Regeneration Budget, Lottery, European funding, sponsorship or grants from charitable institutions.
- 3.5 Applicants are normally expected to make a contribution towards overall project costs, although this is not essential for SIB support to be considered.
- 3.6 Applications will normally only be approved for the current year unless exceptional circumstances can be established, such as the need to secure other funding or enabling the recruitment or retention of staff to proceed. In such cases, future years' allocations would therefore become 'active' once the full Council's budget for that year had been formally approved.
- 3.7 Any project applying for SIB funding must have a management committee, some form of written constitution and a dual signatory bank/building society account.

4 NON-ELIGIBILITY

- 4.1 Individuals or groups that are not formally constituted are ineligible for SIB funding.
- 4.2 SIB should not be used to finance projects that would normally be funded through other sources or to compensate for budget reductions in mainstream provision.
- 4.3 SIB cannot provide ongoing revenue or maintenance support to projects (see 3.3 above) or for payments for redundancy.
- 4.4 SIB cannot be used for activities of a political or exclusively religious nature.
- 4.5 SIB cannot be used to fund retrospectively i.e. for expenditure already incurred before the application has been approved.

5 APPROVAL AND PAYMENT

- 5.1 If the application is approved in full or in part, an offer letter confirming the allocation will be sent out to the nominated contact person within a week. Funding will only become available once the terms and conditions accompanying the offer letter have been signed and returned. ***These terms and conditions that accompany the offer letter should be***

read carefully, as this constitutes a contract between Sunderland City Council and the project.

- 5.2 The grant will not be released as a “lump sum”. Funding will be released to cover appropriate expenses as they occur and not in advance or anticipation of need. Relevant documentation (e.g. invoice, receipt) must be produced before payment is made.
- 5.3 There is not the facility to overspend on specific allocations. It is the project’s responsibility to have estimated the costs correctly, and the Council does not accept any liability should these estimates prove inaccurate or insufficient. Should the available funding prove inadequate to meet the project’s aims, it will be the project’s responsibility to seek additional funding. If this is not possible, the Lead Agent should seek advice from the relevant Area Regeneration Officer regarding the current status of their SIB allocation. Any project that exceeds the original allocation will be required to find the overspend from their own resources.

6 CONDITIONS

- 6.1 Projects must be managed in accordance with all appropriate statutory requirements and employment legislation and must not be conducted in any way as to bring Sunderland City Council into disrepute
- 6.2 **Purchasing / Procurement requirements**

The Council has a duty to ensure that, where it awards public monies to external organisations, value for money and probity is demonstrated as monies are expended.

Where any such monies are used to procure goods, materials, services or works the following procurement requirements must be applied.

Procurement up to £10,000

Records must be kept to demonstrate that value for money has been achieved, by keeping suitable records. For example, if all or part of a grant was to be used to purchase computer equipment it would be appropriate to contact at least four suppliers of the equipment concerned and ask for a price from each supplier. A note should be retained of the price and specification quoted in each case. If the supplier used is not the supplier quoting the lowest purchase price, a record should be kept with the quotes to explain why the chosen supplier was used. This would normally be on the grounds of quality. This process would also apply to suppliers of services. This process would also apply to suppliers of services, e.g. consultancy services for feasibility studies and for purchases classified as capital works.

Procurement Between £10,000 and £50,000

For procurement of this value, at least four written quotations must be obtained and kept for inspection from suitable contractors or suppliers. If less than four quotations are obtained (e.g. because the work is specialised) or considered the reason for this should also be recorded. Finally, if the supplier used is not the supplier quoting the lowest purchase price, a record should be kept with the quotes to explain why the chosen supplier was used.

Procurement Over £50,000

A formal tender process must be used for all procurement exceeding £50,000.

This means that at least six suitable contractors or suppliers should be invited to tender for the contract on the basis of a clear detailed specification. A deadline should be set for receipt of the tenders from those invited, and tenders received after the deadline should not be considered. Tenders received by the deadline should be opened together in the presence of at least two responsible people. The value of each tender should be recorded and the record signed by both persons present. If the supplier used did not tender the lowest price, a record should be kept to explain why the chosen supplier was used.

Potential conflicts of Interest

Any potential conflicts of interest (e.g. the supplier is a friend or relative of the person procuring the service, goods or works) should be declared and those affected should not participate in the procurement process or decision.

Retention of Records

Records of all of the above processes should be retained for a period of three years and must be available for inspection by representatives of the Council if required.

Failure to comply with any of the above conditions could result in clawback of monies and further claims or awards not being approved.

Please note: Projects will be required to submit all relevant documentation with regard to the appointment of a contractor or supplier with the first Quarterly Monitoring Return (or the most appropriate).

- 6.3 Projects are required to provide accurate and verifiable information for monitoring, evaluation and reporting purposes, and must fill in and return the quarterly monitoring return form that is sent requesting information on

projects' progress. Additionally, projects are subject to audit and monitoring throughout their duration by officers of the Development and Regeneration Directorate. Failure to return monitoring forms or comply with any other financial requests made may result in the remainder of the allocation being withheld or future applications being refused.

6.4 Once a project has used its full SIB allocation, projects will be required to submit a written report and attend a future Area Committee meeting to discuss the project's impact. Lead Agents will be informed of when this report and presentation will be required by the relevant Area Regeneration Officer.

6.5 It is the project's responsibility to keep the relevant Area Regeneration Officer informed of any changes that may affect its SIB allocation. In this respect it should be noted that:

- The normal practice will be to make SIB funding available for the period indicated in the funding profile in Section 7 of the application form. If funding is not claimed in accordance with the profile of projected costs in Section 7 of the application form or once the projected completion date has been reached, any unused allocation may be reclaimed, unless the project has indicated a reason for the delay and requested an extension to their funding period.
- No project will be allowed to access SIB funding beyond 2 years from the date of the original offer letter, unless it has received approval for funding over several years. Beyond this period, any unused allocation will be returned to SIB and any project still requiring the funding would need to submit a new application.
- SIB can only be used for the purposes outlined in section 3.4 and section 7 of the application form. If a project for any reason wishes to use their allocation for purposes other than the ones originally proposed, they would need either to return the unused allocation and submit a new proposal to the Area Committee or make a formal request to the Area Committee to vire the allocation.

6.6 The project should ensure that, wherever appropriate, publicity generated by the project acknowledges SIB support. It is a condition of SIB that any press releases be made via the SIB Marketing and Communications team (Tel 0191 553 1933). Please note that in cases where SIB has provided support for the feasibility stage of a capital build project, SIB support will need to be acknowledged on site billboards at the construction stage. The SIB logo can be obtained from the SIB Marketing and Communications team.

SIB ARF Allocation : North

SIB North Resources Statement as at 8th June 2006

Annex 5

	Approval	Allocations £000's	Approvals £000's	Unallocated £000's
Total SIB Allocation Pre 2003/2004		1,400.000	1,389.709	10.291
 <u>2003/2004 Approvals</u>				
EU Fund Package Developments	02.01.02		11.255	
Extension of Joblinkage North	09.01.03		10.250	
Eco Rangers 2003/04	09.01.03		1.000	
Silksworth Sports Complex	06.03.03		1.534	
Youth Provision in the North	05.06.03		21.000	
Billy Hardy Complex	05.06.03		3.775	
Feasibility Study Castletown CA	04.09.03		10.000	
Computer Club - Southwick Neighbourhood Youth	04.09.03		7.555	
Southwick Action Family Enterprise	04.09.03		4.000	
Community News Training	04.09.03		7.500	
Hylton Castle Primary School	04.09.03		10.000	
Castle View School	04.09.03		20.000	
Stoney Lane - Southwick	04.09.03		2.350	
Detached Youth Work	04.09.03		4.000	
Refurbishment of Monkwearmouth School - Youth	04.09.03		2.000	
Southwick Sports Hall	04.09.03		1.000	
Training of Staff	04.09.03		5.000	
Young People's Bike project	04.09.03		5.000	
Refurbishment Hylton Castle & Town End Farm Boys & Girls Club	04.09.03		3.000	
Training For Young People	04.09.03		6.000	
Transport and Hire of facilities Budget	04.09.03		2.000	
Refurbishment of kitchen & workshop area -(SNCBC)	30.10.03		6.500	
Low Southwick Riverside Study Phase 2	30.10.03		5.000	
CCTV Operator Post	30.10.03		8.708	
Play Safe Adventure Trail - Town End Primary School	08.01.04		10.000	
Hylton Dene Survey	08.01.04		5.000	
Southwick Backstreet Resurfacing	08.01.04		10.500	
Castle View Centre	08.01.04		25.000	
Sunderland North Family Zone	08.01.04		10.000	
Sunderland North Sports & Leisure Forum - Newsletter	08.01.04		3.000	

SIB ARF Allocation : North

Hylton Red House CA	04.03.04		4.000	
Summerbell Allotments	04.03.04		3.745	
St Peter's Development Trust Steering Group	04.03.04		0.619	
Returned Funding - Castle View School	(04.09.03)	20.000		
Returned Funding - Youth Review / Youth Strategy	(26.07.01)	1.262		
		221.262	230.291	-9.029
Total Resources Available				1.262

2004/2005 Approvals

Community news training	04.09.03		2.500	
Sunderland North Family Zone	08.01.04		13.988	
EU Development Fund Package	08.01.04		15.506	
Summerbell Allotments	04.03.04		4.000	
St Peter's Development Trust Steering Group	04.03.04		22.981	
Eco Rangers	04.03.04		1.000	
Fulwell Mill Virtual Reality Tour	04.03.04		10.345	
Sunderland Support For Parents with Disabilities	06.05.04		2.000	
Seaburn Landscaping and Planting	06.05.04		15.000	
Refurbishment of South Bents Public Toilets	06.05.04		38.000	
Wearmouth Colliery Welfare Social Club Feasibility Study	06.05.04		3.500	
Development of Hydrotherapy Pool at Fulwell Day Centre	06.05.04		2.500	
Hylton Castle & Town End Farm Boys & Girls Club	06.05.04		10.000	
Area Renewal & Regeneration of Eppleton & Castletown	06.05.04		15.000	
Hylton Castle - Feasibility Study	06.05.04		5.000	
Hylton Cricket Club Feasibility Study	09.09.04		5.000	
Castle View Lighting Provision	09.09.04		1.700	
Installation of Bollards in Ethel Terrace	09.09.04		1.600	
Castle View School Conference	09.09.04		3.500	
Southwick Primary School Lantern Festival	09.09.04		3.000	
City - Wide 5-a-Side Leagues	09.09.04		3.000	
Thompson Park Regeneration Plan	09.09.04		3.000	
Removal of Planters at Horatio Street, Roker	04.11.04		2.907	
Sunderland North Family Zone - Breakfast Club	04.11.04		3.240	
Eco Rangers Event	13.01.05		1.500	
Northside Initiative Admin Support	13.01.05		2.258	
Broadsheath Terrace - Environmental Improvements	13.01.05		1.709	
Area Committee Marketing Project	10.03.05		4.000	

SIB ARF Allocation : North

Sunderland North Family Zone - Chill Club	10.03.05		3.256	
Hylton Red House School - The Green Team	10.03.05		1.139	
Returned Funding - Southwick Back Street Resurfacing	(08.01.04)	0.410		
Returned Funding - Sunderland North Sports & Leisure Forum Newsletter	(08.01.04)	0.457		
		200.867	202.129	-1.262
Total Resources Available				0

2005/2006 Approvals

EU Development Fund Package	08.01.04		16.060	
Castle View School	04.09.03		20.000	
Castle View School Conference	09.09.04		4.000	
Northside Initiative Admin Support	13.01.05		4.630	
Hylton Red House School - The Green Team	10.03.05		5.861	
The ISIS Project - Complementary Health & Education Project	10.03.05		10.000	
Enon Baptist Church - Community Facilities	10.03.05		25.000	
Feasibility Study: Community Arts based Studio, Fulwell Day Centre	09.06.05		3.000	
Sunderland Yacht Club Sail Training Programme	09.06.05		12.000	
Removal of Planters at Cooper Street, Roker	09.06.05		2.053	
Southwick Neighbourhood Project	09.06.05		12.212	
Southwick Health & Community Forum Facility Improvements	09.06.05		1.800	
Sunderland North Youth Equipment Load Scheme	09.06.05		18.850	
Castletown & Eppleton Neighbourhood Renewal Programme Community Consultation and Communication	09.06.05		7.500	
Target Hardening Equipment - Northumbria Police	08.09.05		12.000	
IT & Management Information Project - S.N.C.B.C	08.09.05		4.719	
North Events Budget	08.09.05		5.150	
Horticultural Training at Doxford Park	08.09.05		1.500	
Volunteer Outreach Project	08.09.05		3.333	
Physical Disabilities Alliance Project	08.09.05		2.000	
Downhill Allotment Site	08.09.05		23.000	
Burntland Avenue	08.09.05		6.218	
People's Pedal Power	08.09.05		2.150	
Compass Community Transport	08.09.05		2.000	
Sunderland Training Education Farm	03.11.05		1.500	
Construction Challenge Project	03.11.05		6.500	
Phoenix Project - Community Outreach Programme	03.11.05		6.000	
"Building Bridges" - A Book of Wearmouth	03.11.05		5.500	
Improvements to Early Years Outdoor Play Provision	12.01.06		10.000	
Sunderland Juvenile Service Project	12.01.06		11.400	

SIB ARF Allocation : North

North Community Support Project	12.01.06		22.300	
Returned Funding - Southwick Health & Community Forum Facility Improvements	(09.06.05)	0.200		
Returned Funding - Sunderland Support for Parents with Disabilities	(06.05.04)	0.830		
Returned Funding - Physical Disabilities Alliance project	(08.09.05)	0.666		
		268.236	268.236	0.000
Total Resources Available				0.000

2006/2007 Approvals

EU Development Fund Package	08.01.04		12.440	
Castle View School Conference	09.09.04		4.750	
Construction Challenge Project	03.11.05		5.000	
North Community Support Project	12.01.06		29.950	
Eco Rangers	09.03.06		1.500	
		266.540	53.640	212.900
Total Resources Available				212.900

NORTH SUNDERLAND AREA COMMITTEE MEETING
8th June, 2006

Title of Report:
 STRATEGIC INITIATIVES BUDGET : 2006/07 WARD BASED COMMUNITY CHEST

Author(s):
 Director of Development and Regeneration

Purpose of Report:
 The purpose of this report is to bring forward 14 recommendations relating to the 2006/07 Community Chest Scheme.

Description of Decision:

The Committee is requested to:

- i. approve all 14 proposals for support from the 2006/07 Community Chest as detailed in Annex 1

Is the decision consistent with the Budget/Policy Framework? *Yes

If not, Council approval is required to change the Budget/Policy Framework

Suggested reason(s) for Decision:
 The Community Chest forms part of the Strategic Initiatives Budget and that £250,000 is available for the scheme in 2006/2007, £10,000 for each Ward. This scheme is operated under Section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972.

Alternative options to be considered and recommended to be rejected:

The circumstances are such that there are no realistic alternatives that could be considered.

Is this a "Key Decision" as defined in the Constitution?
 No

Is it included in the Forward Plan?
 No

Relevant Review Committee:

Regeneration and Community Review Committee

**STRATEGIC INITIATIVES BUDGET :
2006/2007 WARD-BASED COMMUNITY CHEST**

Report of the Director of Development and Regeneration

1.0 Purpose of the Report

1.1 The purpose of this report is to bring 14 forward recommendations relating to the 2006/2007 Community Chest Scheme.

2.0 Description of Decision

2.1 The Committee is requested to approve all 14 proposals for support from the 2006/07 Community Chest as detailed in Annex I.

3.0 Background

3.1 The Committee will be aware that the Community Chest forms part of the Strategic Initiatives Budget and that £250,000 is available for the scheme in 2006/2007, £10,000 for each Ward. This scheme is operated under Section 137 of the Local Government Act.

4.0 Reason for Decision

4.1 Community Chest support is given to projects which clearly demonstrate that they will address identified local needs, as detailed in Area Regeneration Frameworks, normally providing genuine community benefit and which can subsequently provide evidence/measurement of success in this respect.

5.0 Alternative Options

5.1 The circumstances are such that there are no realistic alternatives that could be considered.

6.0 Relevant Consultation

6.1 Members have been consulted on all applications for Community Chest support.

6.2 The City Treasurer has been consulted on this report, all costs associated with developing Community Chest applications are resourced by the Strategic Initiatives Budget admin fee.

6.3 Residents have been consulted about the priorities in the Area Regeneration Frameworks Community Chest grants support these identified priorities.

7.0 **Background Papers**

7.1 The following background papers were used:

- Community Chest Application Forms
- Schedule of projects circulated at the panel meeting held on 16th May, 2006.

ST. PETER'S WARD

CHALK Residents Group – Contribution towards trips and social activities for residents in the area.	500
Tyzack Crescent Residents Group – Provision of 'No Ball Games' signs.	340
St. Andrew's Church Centenary Group – Contribution towards art workshops.	100
Dame Dorothy Primary School – Contribution towards Derwent Hill trip.	1000
Total	1940
Total of Projects	9248

ANNEX 1A

COMMUNITY CHEST 2006/07
PROJECTS PROPOSED FOR APPROVAL

SOUTHWICK WARD

*Recommended
Grant subject
to final
estimates,
invoices, up to
300*

Wearmouth Millview C.W. Under 12's F.C. – Purchase of
football strips and equipment.

Total

300

Background papers used :

- Community Chest Application Forms