

**ITEM 3 ANNEX 1b
SIB/SIP FUNDING APPLICATIONS**

Application No.1 – SIB

Funding Source	SIB
Name of Project	Community Allotments
Lead Organisation	SCC – Les Clark

Total cost of Project	Total Match Funding	Total SIB requested
£174,350	£117,300	£40,000
Project Duration	Start Date	End Date
1 year	Feb 2011	Jan 2011

The Project

The Community Allotment Project has been developed to support the Greening of the North Area. This project will bring back into use overgrown and run down land through the creation of community gardens and allotments. The allotments will be much smaller than the standard allotment site widening the opportunity for involvement of local people.

Groundworks will manage the project to refurbish the areas of land and enable them to be used as community gardens.

A squad supervisor will be employed to manage and support the training and development of 12 young people from the North Area through the Future Jobs Fund. These young people will be given the opportunity of a paid 'apprenticeship' during which time they will train and develop skills and experience that will support them to move into paid employment in the future.

A community engagement/project officer will be employed to develop the community allotments with local residents, schools, youth groups and the local community offering people the opportunity to become involved, whether it be to take up a community allotment, share knowledge and skills regarding growing plants/vegetables or health eating or other subjects or help with the initial clearing and building of individual sites. The officer will also support the local community, volunteers and voluntary groups to become constituted and set up a sustainable management committee on each community allotment site to ensure the maintenance and future success of the Community Allotments

The project will support the delivery of the Greening priority on the Local Area Plan as well as the following local and strategic priorities:

Health - Assist individuals and families to exercise through allotment use and develop an understanding and awareness of healthy eating through grow your own.

Learning - Offer children and adults the opportunity to learn how to manage a garden/allotment, growing and maintaining vegetables and flowers and sharing knowledge and experience.

Increase volunteering - Engaging with communities and community groups to develop a management committee and group of individuals who assist with the development of the sites on a voluntary basis.

Prosperous - Provide training and experience to young people to support the move into paid employment

Community Cohesion - Engaging with a wide range of the community with varying backgrounds to promote working together, sharing skills, experience and knowledge.

The economic downturn has contributed to the rise in popularity of allotments as people look to produce their own food more cheaply. There is also evidence to suggest a changing age demographic in the use of allotments, historically it has been retired or semi retired people it is acknowledged that younger people are now applying for and taking on allotment plots.

Example of Good Practice

Washington Ayton

This site and the management committee have played an active role in the community, by developing a community garden for use by Age Concern, as well as an allotment used by the Oxclose Multi-Purpose Centre, a centre for people with disabilities. 'Growing Clubs' have been developed with four local schools; St Joseph's; St John Boste; Lambton Primary and Glebe Wessington School. In addition to visiting these schools to offer advice and practical support to promote the growing of organic vegetables, the site was successful last year in bidding for funding to obtain a cabin for use as a classroom. School children are invited onto the site and are given practical demonstrations on all aspects of growing vegetables, from seed sowing to planting and looking after crops.

The Need for the Project

Residents and Local Councillors have identified a need to improve the run down areas and make better use of the greenspaces available through Area Committee as part of the Local Area Plan and the consultation that was completed with residents and local community and voluntary groups validated this information.

There are currently 7 council owned/managed allotment sites on the North area with 263 plots and people currently on the waiting list stands at 179.

Southwick Primary School, Bexhill and Town End Farm Primary school have all expressed an interest in developing community allotments for use of the school and children, with Bexhill and Town End Farm having submitted an expression of interest form to SIB.

The Salvation Army have expressed an interest in developing/accessing a Community Allotment site.

Fulwell Day Ctr currently have a small Community Allotment on the Shields Road site but have confirmed they wish to expand the site in order to take over several gardens.

The Outputs for the Project

Output Code	Description	Number
A1	Number of new or improved community facilities and equipment	3
A2	Number of people using new and improved community facilities	120
H1	Number of people benefiting from healthy lifestyle projects	120
L1	Number of people receiving job training	12

Milestones and Key Events	Forecast Dates
Clearance of sites	Feb 2011, May 2011, Aug 2011
Refurbishment of sites	April 2011, July 2011, Oct 2011
Community Engagement	April 2011

Recommendation: Approve

This project supports the Attractive and Inclusive Theme within the Local Area Plan as well as the identified priorities of Greening of the North Area, raising aspirations of young people and families and raising attainment and skills of young people and improving areas of run down land. The project also supports the identified actions within the Allotment Review.

Application No. 2 – SIB

Funding Source	SIB
Name of Project	SMCT
Lead Organisation	SMCT

Total cost of Project	Total Match Funding	Total SIB requested
£32,958	£27,958	£5000
Project Duration	Start Date	End Date
3 months	Jan 2011	March 2011

The Project

Provision of appropriate transport to allow residents to travel safely without the worry of crime. SMCT was set up on a voluntary basis in 1975 to meet the needs of local residents. It has three wheelchair-accessible, 15 seat minibuses available for use by community organisations and not for profit groups in the North of Sunderland. The project enables young people, the elderly and other community groups, to benefit from experiences that are only accessible because the appropriate transport allows them to travel safely at an affordable cost. Volunteers from each group undertake MiDAS sessions (Minibus Driver Awareness Scheme). And on completion are awarded a nationally recognised certificate. The minibuses can be used from as little as a couple of hours to a full week, this means it is cost effective and suited to the needs of each group. Yearly membership is £30.00 per group and sessions are £12.00 at present. Each day is broken into 3 sessions; morning, afternoon and evening. There are two part-time paid workers, managed by a voluntary management committee, made up from local residents and representatives of member groups.

The Need for the Project

There is a need for the project because feedback from our users tells us there is no other community transport in the area that operates in the same way. There is also a continuous demand for the minibuses. We feel we have a duty, as part of the community, to make sure that those who do not have their own transport, and are disadvantaged by financial or health problems have some chance of equality and opportunity. Community projects such as SMCT have a vital role, removing barriers for the socially excluded – often the most vulnerable members of society. Organisations such as the Young Carers and the local youth project (which are also charities) would not be able to offer the programmes that they do without transport, meaning that the majority of their work would be building-based instead of introducing the young people to new experiences.

The Outputs for the Project

Output Code	Description	Number
L1	Number of people receiving training	45
P2	Number of jobs safeguarded	18
P3	Number of people volunteering	180

Milestones and Key Events	Forecast Dates
MIDAS training for new volunteers	Feb 2011
Publicity to attract new business	March 2011

Recommendation: Approve

This project supports the Prosperous theme of the Local Area Plan as well as the identified priorities of raising aspirations in young people and their families, ensuring adequate support for vulnerable adults and addressing the lack of public transport in some areas.

Application No.3 – SIB

Funding Source	SIB
Name of Project	Ear 4 U
Lead Organisation	Impact

Total cost of Project	Total Match Funding	Total SIP requested
£19,200	£6000	13,200
Project Duration	Start Date	End Date
7 mths	Jan 2011	July 2011

The Project

Development of a service offering one to one support for children and young people who have/are experiencing bullying issues, or other social issues (eg domestic violence, family breakdown or family substance use), which is then affecting their attendance at school. Advice and support is also provided for their parents. Impact will meet with the child or young person to discuss the issues, meet with the family members to give coping strategies and offer support. They will liaise with the school to put together a support package to allow the young person to return safely to school. For those children who are identified as isolated, suitable youth provision would be sourced in their area and support provided to enable access. Monitoring would be put into place to ensure plans are effective. In addition to providing non academic support and advice it the project also meets the strategic aim raising attainment levels and skills of children and young people, as they are more likely to achieve academically and be more self confident.

The Need for the Project

Over the school year September 09 - July, 10 the Anti Bullying Service received 19 requests for individual support from children living in the North area. Impact were only able to offer basic intervention to a small number of these and advice only to the others. In May a member of ABS attended the Integrated Referral Service Panel Meeting to discuss the range of referrals they receive. (The panel consists of representatives from health, education, mental health, behaviour team and disability teams and considers referrals on children requiring additional support). It was clear at this meeting that bullying was a recurring theme, but again no one service is available to offer a holistic approach to tackling the issues.

The Outputs for the Project

Output Code	Description	Number
L2	Number of people accessing improved advice and support	46
L8	Number of additional young people engaged and participation in youth provision	8

Milestones and Key Events	Forecast Dates
Information/publicity for project and referral processes	Jan 2011
Launch Events	Jan/Feb 2011
Referrals accepted	Feb 2011
Sessions Delivered	Feb 2011
Final evaluation report	Aug 2011

Recommendation: Approve

The project supports the Learning Theme of the local area plan and the priority for raising attainment and skills of young people.

Application No.4 – SIP Castle Ward

Funding Source	SIP
Name of Project	Castletown Community Heritage Monument
Lead Organisation	Breandan King

Total cost of Project	Total Match Funding	Total SIP requested
£1445	£500	£945
Project Duration	Start Date	End Date
3 mths	January 2011	April 2011

The Project

The Project's aim is to celebrate and raise awareness of the mining heritage and history of the local area. The proposed Coal Tub would provide a fitting tribute to the miners of Castletown and the wards mining heritage.

The Coal Tub will sit within the grounds of the Billy Hardy Centre, a well used sports complex situated in the heart of Castletown. The complex's facilities include a football pitch, cricket pitch, bowling green, play area and a social facility and it is utilised by a range of community groups, local residents and families using the play area and function rooms as well as visitors from around the UK who participate in competitions and events held at the centre. The complex attracts over 5,000 visitors per annum from across the region.

The Need for the Project

The local community suggested the project through the Castletown Neighbourhood Action Group (CNAG). CNAG is a local problem solving forum set up by Northumbria Police with Local residents working in partnership with Local Authority, Neighbourhood Wardens, Gentoo, Local Schools, Fire and Rescue to benefit the residents of Castletown.

The Outputs for the Project

Output Code	Description	Number
A1	Number of new or improved community facilities and equipment	1
A6	Number of community or educational events held	1

Milestones and Key Events	Forecast Dates
Refurbish coaltub	Jan 2011
Launch Event	April 2011

Recommendation: Approve

This project supports the Attractive and Inclusive theme and the Heritage Priority within the Local Area Plan.

Application No.5 – SIP Castle Ward

Funding Source	SIP
Name of Project	Perimeter Fencing
Lead Organisation	Rainbow Tots

Total cost of Project	Total Match Funding	Total SIP requested
£7630	£5630	£2000
Project Duration	Start Date	End Date
3mth	November 2010	January 2010

The Project

This project will deliver the aims of the LAP theme, attractive and inclusive: to make the streets more attractive etc, and safer for the children using and accessing Rainbow Tots.

Rainbow Tots is a childcare/nursery facility based within the old Hylton Castle Library, offering affordable and quality childcare and provision for children and adults to learn and have fun together. Currently children who access and use Rainbow Tots have access to an outside area. The outside area currently does not have a perimeter fence and people not using the facility are accessing the outside area and dropping litter and bottles making the area unsafe. A perimeter fence would restrict access to those children and families using Rainbow Tots and reduce the litter and other items disposed of to enable the area to become a safe and accessible outside space for Rainbow Tots and its users.

The Need for the Project

A survey of users has been completed and parents having been making comments to the nursery. There is clear evidence of people using the space inappropriately, leaving litter making the area dangerous.

The Outputs for the Project

Output Code	Description	Number
A1	Number of new or physically improved community facilities as the result of a SIP/SIB subsidised activity. This includes the provision of equipment such as sports and games equipment.	1
A2	Number of people using new and improved community facilities	3330

Milestones and Key Events	Forecast Dates
Purchase fencing	Nov 2010
Install fencing	Jan 2010

Recommendation: Approve

This project supports the Attractive and Inclusive theme within the Local Area Plan and would enable a safe accessible environment for young children to access for play and activities.

Application No.6 – SIP Fulwell

Funding Source	SIP
Name of Project	Dene Lane Footpath
Lead Organisation	Sunderland City Council (Graham Carr)

Total cost of Project	Total Match Funding	Total SIP requested
£6050	£0	£6050
Project Duration	Start Date	End Date
3 months	January 2011	March 2011

The Project

This project will deliver the aims of the LAP theme, attractive and inclusive to make the streets more attractive etc, as well as safer for the local residents/community.

Currently pedestrians use the grassed area on Dene Lane as a short cut to link with the main road. Pedestrian movements across this area will cause damage to the grassed area which is both unsafe and will become unsightly.

If funding is secured for the proposed scheme, it will provide a new 'tarmac' footway across the grassed area for the safe passage of pedestrians and reduce the visual 'eye-sore' that a dirt track will have upon the street.

Not only will the project improve the visual appearance of the street, it will also provide local residents and visitors with a safe passage from Dene Lane.

The Need for the Project

The issue has been highlighted by the residents to their elected Ward Members.

Local Ward Councillors have been consulted on the Project and are supportive of the Project.

The Outputs for the Project

Output Code	Description	Number
A4	Number of programmes of work to improve the appearance of the streets	1

Milestones and Key Events	Forecast Dates
Install proposed footpath	Feb 2011

Recommendation: Approve

This project will make the area more attractive and supports the Attractive and Inclusive theme within the Local Area Plan.

Application No.7 – SIP Southwick

Funding Source	SIP
Name of Project	Studio IT
Lead Organisation	SNYP

Total cost of Project	Total Match Funding	Total SIP requested
£7548	£7548	£7548
Project Duration	Start Date	End Date
3 mths	Jan 2011	March 2011

The Project

The project will refurbish the computer workshop. This will involve redecoration of the walls, new flooring and computer benches and seating. There will also be the purchase of 8 computers, monitors, keyboards etc. and two wireless printers to serve all computers. There will also be headphones so that those using the computers can listen to music, etc., without disturbing others working. The completed project will deliver an updated and physically more effective service and access to Studio I.T. by young people aged 8 -25. The young people of the project will be involved throughout in respect of the choice and purchase of the new resources. We envisage that these improvements will increase the usage of this area and the services we are currently able to offer.

The Need for the Project

SNYP has had a computer workshop for several years, the current computers are now so outdated they frequently break down or do not respond. This area of work has been identified as a need by the young people of the area. Due to the age and state of the resources SNYP are no longer able to offer equality of opportunity to Southwick young people. SNYP has been unable to offer the holiday programmes and provide what is required by those seeking employment.

The Outputs for the Project

Output Code	Description	Number
A1	Number of new or improved community facilities and equipment	1
A2	Number of people using new and improved community facilities	30

Milestones and Key Events	Forecast Dates
Room preparation	Jan 2011
Room refurbishment	Feb 2011
Purchase and installation of computer equipment	March 2011

Recommendation: Approve

The project supports the Attractive and Inclusive Theme of the local area plan as well as identified priorities regarding youth provision and the raising of aspirations of young people.