

# North Sunderland Area Committee

7<sup>th</sup> September 2009

## Report of the Chief Executive

### North Sunderland a Safe Area Summary

#### 1. Why has it come to committee?

1.1 At its June meeting, the committee agreed its work plan for the 2009/10 municipal year and the Safe priority is the second to come to committee for discussion and consideration.

#### 2. Background

2.1 Following the extensive programme of consultation with members, partners, community stakeholders and the wider community, the agreed priorities for this theme are:

- 1 Tighter control on sale of alcohol to under 21s and reduce underage drinking
- 2 Provide more/better facilities/activities for young people and review current provision
- 3 Provide a more visible Police/CSO/Warden presence
- 4 Strengthen relationships between Police/other agencies/community to reduce fear of crime and offer support to victims of crime
- 5 Target hotspots of disorder and review current CCTV provision in the area

#### 2.2 Who has been involved?

- Northumbria Police
- Safer Communities Team
- Health, Housing and Adult Services
- Neighbourhood Relations Team
- Area Renewal Team
- Neighbourhood Wardens – SNCBC
- Gentoo
- Trading Standards, CCS
- Youth Development Group, Children's Services
- Environmental Services
- Attractive & Inclusive Partnership
- SAFC Foundation
- Area Co-ordination Team

#### 2.3 Key Dates

August 2009	Preparation of summary report (workshop)
7 September 2009	Meeting of Area Committee and development of detailed action plan
September 2009	Actions implemented and call for projects (SIB) where appropriate
November 2009	Consideration/approval of SIB applications
Ongoing	Monitoring and progress reports

#### 3. Safe Theme Area Summary

3.1 Attached as Annex 1 is the area summary for the Safe theme. The annex covers:

- Priorities agreed at Area Committee
- Background/Key Issues
- Current activity
- Any gaps, identified needs or general comments
- Actions and Proposals with lead organisations identified

## 4. Recommendation

### 4.1 Area Committee is asked to:

- Note all of the **actions** identified in Annex 1
- Agree which of the following **proposals** (also identified in Annex 1) will be developed
  - SIB/SIP Funding**
    - Provide funding for Community Wardens to continue in the Castletown area at a total cost of around £60,000 for 1 year
    - Provide SIB funding (£38,000 for 1 year) to the Youth Development Group in order to extend mobile youth provision to weekdays and holidays
    - Receive funding application for Phoenix Project (£14,758 for a 2 year project)
    - Receive funding application to provide Head Cams at an estimated cost of £6,000
    - Explore feasibility of funding two illuminated speed signs at Sea Front at an estimated capital cost of £8,000
  - Review**
    - Explore options to deliver a joint operation between Trading Standards and Northumbria Police for covert operations
    - Explore effectiveness/need for Castletown Gating order to continue

## 5. Background papers

- Sunderland Strategy Delivery Plans
- Local Area Agreements Delivery Plans
- Safer Sunderland Partnership
- Sunderland North Local Area Plan
- Information provided by partners and officers at a Safe workshop event August 2009 and one to one meetings

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**Annex 1:** Sunderland North Safe Area Summary  
**Annex 1a:** Neighbourhood Wardens project outline  
**Annex 1b:** Phoenix Project outline