

Coalfield Area Committee**SIB and SIP Funding Applications**

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Application No1 – Wensleydale Ave Traffic Calming

Name of Project	Wensleydale Avenue traffic calming	
Total cost of Project	Total SIP requested	Total SIB requested
£25,000	£9,723	£10,277
Project Duration	Start Date	End Date
5 months	October 2010	March 2011

The Project

This project is requesting £9,723 from Shiney Row SIP allocation and £10,277 from Coalfield SIB. There will be £5,000 provided by highways mainstream budget.

The project will deliver a traffic calming scheme to address the identified speeding problems along Wensleydale Avenue, Penshaw. The scheme will involve the installation of speed cushions positioned in accordance with the regulations to reduce the speed of drivers travelling along Wensleydale Ave. It will also serve to deter drivers from using this road as a 'rat run' between the A183 Chester Road and the A182 Washington Highway. It is expected that the reduction in speed and volume of vehicles using Wensleydale Avenue will improve the quality of lives and road safety for the local residents of this area.

Need for Project

It was requested by the Shiney Row Ward Councillors that the Council investigates the provision of traffic calming along Wensleydale Avenue to address the ongoing concerns of local residents regarding speeding and its use as a 'rat run'. Surveys were undertaken which revealed that there is a significant speed problem along Wensleydale Ave. There are also accidents which can be addressed through the provision of a speed reduction / traffic management scheme.

Outputs of the Project

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

Key Milestones for the Project

Consultation completed	30 Nov 2010
Works commence	21 Feb 2011
Works complete	18 March 2011

Recommendation: Approve

The project will contribute to the Local Area Plan objective of improving the streets/ environment in the area by reducing the speed of traffic and discouraging drivers from using the road as a 'rat run'. It will also provide a safer residential area for local people.

Application No 2 – Walking Route to Rainton Meadows

Name of Project	Walking Route to Rainton Meadows
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Total cost of Project	Total SIP requested	Total SIB requested
£34,000	£14,000	£20,000
Project Duration	Start Date	End Date
4 months	February 2011	June 2011

The Project

The purpose of the project is to complete a footway / footpath connection from Fence Houses to Rainton Meadows Nature Reserve and surrounding public rights of way. This will improve safety and encourage physical activity, whilst improving an area that is currently poorly defined both as an amenity and as a facility.

The funding request is for £14,000 Houghton SIP and £20,000 SIB. The project will construct 115m of new 1.8m wide footway, linking the existing footway at Redburn Row to the public right of way which connects south to Rainton Meadows Nature Reserve. The work will also formalise a road side parking facility where there is currently a long standing informal 'bay'. As part of the works the public rights of way section will resurface the length of track from the proposed footway to Mallard Way.

Need for Project

Ward councillors have raised the matter as a local priority following constituent requests and their experience of local journey demand in the area.

In addition, Rainton Meadows and surrounding public rights of way are popular for a range of recreational and educational purposes, with events organised by Durham Wildlife Trust at their offices there. Further, the works will present a high quality non motorised access from Fence Houses to one of the regions best nature reserves comprising a Site of Special Scientific Interest, and hosting a broad range of migratory birds.

Outputs of the Project

Output Code	Description	Number
A1	Improved community facilities	1

Key Milestones for the Project

Completion of works	April 2011
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Recommendation: Approve

The project will contribute to the Local Area Plan Attractive and Inclusive objective of making the environment more attractive. It will also encourage more people to access outdoor recreational space – this will contribute to the Healthy outcome of providing more accessible sporting and exercise facilities.

Application No 3 – North Rd/Hazard Lane pedestrian safety

Name of Project	North Rd/Hazard Ln pedestrian safety
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Total cost of Project	Total SIP requested	Total SIB requested
£29,221	£19,221	£10,000
Project Duration	Start Date	End Date
4 months	November 2010	March 2011

The Project

The funding request is for £14,221 Hetton SIP, £5,000 Copt Hill SIP and £10,000 SIB. The project will provide a pedestrian refuge island and footway link along North Road/Hazard Lane which is the most popular route for pupils who attend Hetton Secondary School. Local residents from Moorsley and Peat Carr will also benefit from a safer crossing point to access Hetton centre.

Need for Project

During peak hours the area can have approximately 800 pupils crossing the narrow section of road which has been identified as a potential accident hot spot by local residents and Councillors. The school access on Hazard Lane is well used and providing a pedestrian refuge with the additional footway link will provide a safer route for pupils accessing Hetton School.

Outputs of the Project

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

Key Milestones for the Project

Contractor to start on site	January 2011
Completion of works	March 2011

Recommendation: Approve

The project will provide a facility which will be of great benefit to the community and meet the Attractive and Inclusive and Safe thematic priorities of the Local Area Plan (LAP).

Application No 4 – Ear 4 U (Impact Family Services)

Name of Project	Ear 4 U
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Total cost of Project	Total Match Funding	Total SIB requested
£15,200	£2,000	£13,200
Project Duration	Start Date	End Date
10 months	November 2010	August 2011

The Project

The project will develop 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; and provide advice and support for their parents. Referrals can come from children and young people, parents, schools and other agencies. The project will meet with the child or young person to discuss the issues, meet with the family members to give coping strategies and offer support and then arrange a meeting with the school to put together a support package to allow

the young person to return safely to school. The project would source suitable youth services for those children who are identified as isolated, they would be given support to access the services. The situation would be monitored to ensure the support plan is working. In addition to providing additionality in terms of youth provision it will also impact upon the NEET cohort, as young people will be supported back into education, helping them to reach their full potential.

Need for Project

Impact Family Services, Anti Bullying Service, has worked extensively in schools in the Coalfield area for the past four years delivering a range of groupwork programmes to pupils. This has included anti bullying awareness, self esteem, friendship stops/buddying schemes and anti racism. They have piloted peer mentoring programmes regarding the issues of DV and alcohol in both secondary schools. Schools have been supported in writing child friendly AB Policies and achieving AB Charter Mark. Additionally in 2007 ABS undertook a city wide survey to identify what the need was of each area with regards to bullying - in the Coalfield area it was identified that not only children and young people, but also schools and teaching staff required additional support around bullying and how to resolve bullying incidents.

The Childrens Trust conducted a recent survey (Tell Us 4) which highlighted children and young people across the city felt that bullying was one of their main concerns.

Over the school year September 09 - July 10 the Anti Bullying Service received 28 requests for individual support from children living in the Coalfield area. The project was 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.

Outputs of the Project

Output Code	Description	Number
L2	No. of people accessing improved advice and support	60

Key Milestones for the Project

Arrange meetings with schools to advise of the new project and explain referral process	October/November 2010
Events within schools and the community to launch the Ear 4 U Project and publicity via Sunderland Echo	November 2010
The project begins to accept referrals for 1 to 1 support and arrange monthly monitoring meetings with schools, families, children and other services	November 2010- July 2011
The project will offer support sessions to young people and professionals across the Coalfield area during National Anti Bullying Week	November 2010
A detailed findings report	March 2011

Recommendation: Approve with **CONDITION** that any young people resident in the Coalfield but attending schools outside of the area have equal access to the project.

The project will meet the Local Area Plan objective 'Prepare young people for adult life through encouragement and building of confidence' by providing a wide range of mentoring and support suitable for the needs of the individual. Bullying was identified as a key issue in the 2009/10 workplan and the project will complement mainstream provision provided by Childrens' Services and local schools.

Application No 5 - Fencehouses Gateway project

Name of Project	Fencehouses Gateway project
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Total cost of Project	Total Match Funding	Total SIP requested
£3,500		£3,500
Project Duration	Start Date	End Date
2 months	November 2010	December 2010

The Project

The project will provide traffic signs and road markings on the B1284 at the entry to Fence Houses. Completed works will become part of the adopted (publicly maintainable) highway infrastructure. The purpose is to improve road safety for the residents and businesses in Fence Houses, and visitors to the area.

The community bulb planting project will enhance this gateway feature by installing and maintaining a floral display.

Need for the Project

The need has been identified by local ward councillors. Issues have been raised by residents and at local ward surgeries. The work will improve roads safety for local people. The success will be measured by gaining feedback from residents via local Councillors and Ward Surgeries.

Outputs of the Project

Output Code	Description	Number
A1	Improved community facilities	1

Recommendation: Approve

This project has been developed by ward councillors and meets the objective of improving the streets and environment.

Application No 6 – SIP Tithe Barn, Rectory Park

Name of Project	Tithe Barn roof repairs, Rectory Park
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Total cost of Project	Total Match Funding	Total SIP requested
£13,000	£9,000	£4,000
Project Duration	Start Date	End Date
3 months	November 2010	February 2011

The Project

The project is requesting £2,000 Houghton and £2,000 Copt Hill SIP.

The City Council has been working with Rectory Park Friends Group for the past 18 months during which time a detailed Masterplan for the Park has been developed. The City Council has supported the The Friends Group in the pursuit of finance towards the regeneration of the Park and this is now underway.

The roof of the Tithe Barn within the park is in need of a comprehensive overhaul to include removal of the existing slates and latts to allow the installation of a roofing membrane and the installation of new latts prior to the reinstallation of the original roof slates allowing for replacements as and when necessary. This will safeguard the barn for the long term. In the current situation the roof will be lost in adverse weather conditions exposing the barn to either a major repair or a complete loss

Because of its historic importance the barn is a major contributing factor to Rectory Park and must be preserved for future generations

Need for Project

The 18th Century Tithe Barn is the last remaining barn in the old County Durham area. As such it represents a significant element in the fabric of the region's heritage. The existing roof to the barn is suffering nail sickness, meaning that the roof nails have all rotted the slate tiles only being held in place by gravity. Clearly this will mean a rapid loss of the roof in the event of adverse weather conditions and consequently the loss of the barn as a structure.

Outputs of the Project

Output Code	Description	Number
A1	Community facilities improved	1

Key Milestones for the Project

Removal of existing roof	November 2010
Completion of new roof	December 2010

Recommendation: Approve

The project contributes to the 'Heritage' priority in the 2010/11 workplan. The project will contribute to the overall masterplan for Rectory Park and will preserve an important part of the Coalfield's history.

Application No 7 – Community Outdoor Learning (Newbottle Primary School)

Name of Project	Community Outdoor Learning Environment
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Total cost of Project	Total Match Funding	Total SIP requested
£5,000	£3,000	£2,000
Project Duration	Start Date	End Date
4 months	November 2010	March 2011

The Project

The project is requesting £1,000 Houghton and £1,000 Copt Hill SIP, and will create an exciting, motivating, safe and learning outside environment for school children and the community. The area, for younger children and their families, will include a landscape area, soft surfaces, a car track, sandpits, water trays, a traversing wall, big tyres, large wipeboards, a musical area, a sensory garden and a learning board.

Newbottle primary school will work with parents and children to create this area and there will be the opportunity for parents and grandparents to visit and explore the area with the children.

Need for Project

Within education it very important that every child develops good motor skills as well as learning to team build and work together. This is a vital part of children's learning and extra involvement is crucial for every child to develop and become confident in their learning environment.

Outputs of the Project

Output Code	Description	Number
A1	Improved community facilities	1
A2	People using improved facilities	100

Key Milestones for the Project

Equipment purchased	Dec 2010/Jan 2011
Play area complete	Feb 2011
Open evenings for parents	Mar 2011

Recommendation: Approve

The project will contribute to the Learning priority of the Local Area Plan by providing encouragement and building confidence of children and families.

Application No 8 – Regent Street/Church Street Give Way & Parking

Name of Project	Regent St/Church St Give Way & Parking	
Total cost of Project	Total SIP requested	
£10,000	£10,000	
Project Duration	Start Date	End Date
5 months	November 2010	April 2011

The Project

The funding request is for £10,000 SIP from the Copt Hill ward. The project will implement a scheme to introduce a new junction layout at the Church Road junction with Regent Street. The improvements will comprise of kerb buildouts to allow for the regimentation of the on street parking on Regent Street. The existing gateway markings will be brought forward to afford greater visibility for motorists making turning manoeuvres to and from the junction. The implementation of a Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) is subject to a statutory consultation process including local councillors, portfolio holder, key partners such as emergency services and NEXUS and the businesses and residences directly affected by these proposals.

Need for Project

The area has been identified for the implementation of a junction improvement scheme after local residents and businesses have raised issues regarding obstructive and inconsiderate parking behaviour experienced in and around the junction of Regent Street and Church Road.

Outputs of the Project

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

Key Milestones for the Project

Consultation	November 2010
Delegated Decision	December 2010
Detailed Design	January 2011
Legal	March 2011
Implementation of programme	April 2011

Recommendation: Approve

The project will contribute to the Local Area Plan objective of improving the streets/ environment in the area by reducing inconsiderate parking and improving safety.

Application 9 - Sunderland Road/High Lane speed limit and gateway

Name of Project	Sunderland Rd/High Ln speed limit/gateway	
Total cost of Project	Total SIP requested	
£25,000	£25,000	
Project Duration	Start Date	End Date
5 months	November 2010	April 2011

The Project

The funding request is for £25,000 SIP from Copt Hill. There is growing public concern about road safety in Newbottle Village between Durham Road (A690) and South Street. It is proposed to introduce a 'reduced speed limit area' by sequentially reducing vehicle speeds from National Speed Limit road of High Lane (60 mph) down to firstly 40 mph, then 30 mph speed limited road.

Need for Project

Sunderland Road is presently a location for Mobile Speed Camera enforcement, however speeds remain high due to irregular enforcement. The present LTP funding is fully committed for this financial year, therefore the use of SIP funding would enable the scheme to be implemented several years earlier than might occur using LTP funding. There has been growing public concern in the local press and a number of requests for services from the public. Local councillors are in support of the proposed measures.

Outputs of the Project

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

Key Milestones for the Project

Consultation	Nov/Dec 2010
Detailed design	Dec 2010
Implementation of scheme	March 2011

Recommendation: Approve

The project will improve safety and benefit local residents and visitors. The reduction in the speed limit will improve the environment and contribute towards Coalfield area priorities.

Application No 10 – Queensway traffic calming

Name of Project	Queensway traffic calming
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Total cost of Project	Total SIP requested	
£3,100	£3,100	
Project Duration	Start Date	End Date
2 months	January 2011	February 2011

The Project

The funding request is for £3,100 Copt Hill SIP. The project will install two GIVE WAY signs on the side road at the Queensway/Hall Lane junction, with a road marking to emphasise that traffic must give way. This will help to highlight to drivers on the side road that they are approaching a junction, and that they do not have priority.

Need for Project

Local residents and ward councillors have raised concerns about a number of incidents where drivers have not stopped at the junction. Road markings and signage need to be clearer so drivers are aware of the road layout.

Outputs of the Project

Output Code	Description	Number
A4`	Number of events/programmes of work to improve appearance of streets	1

Key Milestones for the Project

Work commences	January 2011
Work complete	February 2011

Recommendation: Approve

The project will improve safety and benefit local residents and visitors.