

SIB Funding Applications

1	Coalfield Community Challenge (Area Network)	SIB
2	Responsive Youth Provision (Youth Development Group)	SIB

Application No1 – Coalfield Community Challenge

Total cost of Project	Total SIB	Total match funding
£12,000	£12,000	(none secured to date)
Project Duration	Start Date	End Date
13 months	March 2011	March 2012

The Project

This project will provide a mechanism to enable the local community to influence and deliver area priorities as identified in the Local Area Plan and subsequent work plans. Using the 'Coalfield in Bloom' project as a model of best practice, this project will enable the Coalfield Area Network and partners to develop and deliver relevant projects against priorities. The initial phase of this project will support two priorities in the following ways:

Promote local heritage -

- Community celebrations to promote heritage
- Heritage Roadshow – a series of events in various locations to showcase items of historic interest and share information
- History and heritage 'tour' of local sites/places of interest
- Heritage 'champions' who can act as a reference point to other residents/groups

Improve allotments and gardens -

- Allotment holders clean up days (at least one in each of the four wards)
- Community garden scheme (working with schools/community groups to establish communal gardens or allotments)
- Support to new allotment holders

The project will not be delivered by any one organisation and relies on the commitment of organisations involved in the Network to work together. In addition to the VCS organisations, who are members of the Network, other partners such as Northumbria Police, Gentoo and the City Council will support this project and be involved in its development and delivery. This approach has proved to be successful via the Coalfield in Bloom project which had over 50 organisations taking part. The Coalfield Community Co-ordinator will be key to ensuring the resources available are maximised via volunteer time and funding (actual or in kind) from all organisations. The project will work in partnership with the Heritage Task and Result Group and the allotment Task and Result Group, consulting and reporting to Area Committee where relevant.

Outputs of the Project

A3	Number of voluntary and community groups supported	40
A4	Number of programmes to improve appearance of streets	4
A6	Number of community or educational events held	5
P3	Number of people volunteering	60

Key Milestones for the Project

Heritage awareness day and celebration (Shiney Row/Copt Hill)	April 2011
Community garden party - celebrating heritage (Hetton)	April 2011
Work commences on allotment improvements (ongoing throughout project)	May 2011
Volunteers train to become heritage champions (target of 5)	June 2011
Music festival - celebrating heritage (Houghton)	June 2011

Recommendation: Approve:

The project meets the Coalfield area priorities of Heritage and Allotments/Community Gardens. The success of the 'Coalfield in Bloom' project has helped to shape a model for community engagement and local service delivery which this application is based on. The project has been developed at the request of Area Committee members to continue the valuable work of the Area Network partners and community groups. The project also links to the previously funded 'Underground' project who will lead on the development of the music festival.

Application No 2 – Responsive Youth Provision

Total cost of Project	Total SIB	Total match funding
£15,000	£10,000	£5,000 Gentoo (tbc in April 2011)
Project Duration	Start Date	End Date
6 months	April 2011	September 2011

The Project

The project will provide a 'rapid response' targeted youth provision in areas identified by the police and partners as having high levels of youth disorder. The project will be a pilot which will last 6 months. Activities will be delivered to meet need and those identified to date include mini moto sessions (6 week accredited course), mobile youth village, football sessions and street dance. The activities will be tailored to the audience and be organised and delivered by the Youth Development Group in conjunction with the existing and contracted activity provide by Sunderland North Community Business Centre (SNCBC). The activities will act as an engagement tool to provide a mechanism for youth workers to build up a relationship with young people not currently engaged in the mainstream youth activities in the area. The outcome of the project will be to reduce youth disorder and divert young people to mainstream provision, therefore the activities provided will work in close partnership with existing centre based activity, Gentoo and the police.

The project will provide a 'fund' to be accessed to address evidenced need. The evidence will be provided by the Police and partners via the Youth Disorder Task and Result group and LMAPS. The lead agent will gain the agreement of the Youth Disorder T&R group before implementing specific projects. Currently Easington Lane has the highest levels of youth disorder across the City and the Houghton Racecourse Estate and Penshaw have also be identified as high risk areas.

Partners involved in the development of this project are Sunderland City Council, Gentoo, Northumbria Police, Tyne & Wear Fire and Rescue Service, SNCBC (the contracted youth provider) and local voluntary sector organisations via the Area Network.

Outputs of the Project

S5	Number of young people benefiting from youth inclusion/diversionary projects	90
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Key Milestones for the Project

Identification of activities for each area	April 2011
First mini moto session delivered (Easington Lane)	April 2011
First certificated course complete	May 2011
Activity delivered at Houghton Racecourse Est	May 2011
Activity delivered at Penshaw	May 2011

Recommendation: Approve

The project meets the priority of Youth Disorder and will directly address evidenced need in the area. The project will be monitored and evaluated by using intelligence gathered by LMAPS members and the Youth Disorder Task and Result group.