

**Item 2 ANNEX 5  
SIB/SIP FUNDING APPLICATIONS**

**Application No.1 – SIB**

<b>Funding Source</b>	<b>SIB</b>
<b>Name of Project</b>	Sunderland Carers Centre
<b>Lead Organisation</b>	Carers Centre

<b>Total cost of Project</b>	<b>Total Match Funding</b>	<b>Total SIB requested</b>
£162,000	£152,000	£10,000
<b>Project Duration</b>	<b>Start Date</b>	<b>End Date</b>
12 months	July 2011	June 2012

**The Project**

The project will bring back into use a disused building, refurbished to good energy economy standards, which will benefit park users through the cafe and toilets and benefit carers and disabled people in the area by bringing services closer to the community in the North of Sunderland. Although the Carers' Centre provides outreach services it also operates on a drop in basis, most used by residents local to the Centre.

The planned refurbishment includes high levels of insulation and energy conservation as well as full disabled access.

The project will also contribute to the amenity and safety of the park as it will bring regular usage and therefore more people to its section of the park with the increased security which comes with more people being about.

In addition to this the development of a café as a Beckwith's franchise will offer adults with learning disabilities the opportunity to learn and take up employment that may have not been [reviously available. The incorporation of toilets into the faciliy supports the ongoing refurbishment work of Thompson Park including the demolition of the toilets on Newcastle Rd. The café is also likely to attract further people to the area and use the park.

**The Need for the Project**

Sunderland, like other areas with high levels of deprivation, has a higher number of carers doing more hours of caring than the England and Wales average. The greatest percentage of carers are in the wards with the highest levels of deprivation. (Figures from 2001 Census.)

Sunderland Carers' Centre has expanded since it was started in Southwick in 1994 and now reaches at least 2000 adult and almost 300 young carers per year. However the current building in Toward Road is expensive to run, not fully accessible and does not lend itself to a drop in Information Library. It is also a poor working environment for staff and volunteers as well as for carers coming to use the Centre's services.

The former Thompson Park Nursery has been empty for some years and is the right size, is all on one level and offers the opportunity to provide additional amenities to the park and community.

The Board of Sunderland Carers' Centre are all carers or have had caring experience in the past and so it was carers and their representatives who made the decision to take on the former nursery building. Carers in the north of the city have been consulted through

the Centre's Development worker for the area, mainly through discussions on home visits and at the regular groups. The Southwick Councillors have been involved throughout the process of obtaining the building.

Sunderland Carers' Centre was invited to present the proposals to an open meeting of the Friends of Thompson Park and had a very positive response.

In addition Thompson Park nursery has been empty for a number of years. Empty properties impact on the local area attracting anti social behaviour and criminal activity. Bringing back into use this empty property will revitalise the local area, offer increased and improved accessible services as well as opportunities for increased learning and employment opportunities for adults with learning disabilities.

#### **The Outputs for the Project**

Output Code	Description	Number
A1	Number of new or improved community facilities	1
A2	Number of people using new or improved facilities	660

<b>Milestones and Key Events</b>	<b>Forecast Dates</b>
Documents to tender	June 2011
Building control approval	June 2011
Start on site	July/August 2011
Completion	June 2012

#### **Recommendation: Approve**

The application supports the Attractive and Inclusive theme of the local area and the priority of Attractive and cared for environment for the North area.

#### **Application No.2 – SIB**

<b>Funding Source</b>	<b>SIB</b>
<b>Name of Project</b>	Grange Rd Speed Limit
<b>Lead Organisation</b>	Sunderland City Council – Craig Wilkinson

<b>Total cost of Project</b>	<b>Total Match Funding</b>	<b>Total SIB requested</b>
£7500	£1500	£6000
<b>Project Duration</b>	<b>Start Date</b>	<b>End Date</b>
6 months	September 2011	March 2012

#### **The Project**

The project will reduce the existing National Speed Limit (60mph) on Grange Road and Ferryboat Lane to 40mph to deter high vehicle speeds and reduce perceived safety concerns.

A local Councillor has raised the most recent concern about vehicle speeds and perceived safety on these roads. Funding will pay for fees during the statutory consultation process

and the introduction of the 40mph traffic regulation order (TRO) including new illuminated speed limit terminal signs and repeater signs. The match funding represents the staff cost involved in delivering the project.

### The Need for the Project

A local Councillor has raised concerns about vehicle speeds and requested a 30mph speed limit. Investigations have shown that a 40mph speed limit would be appropriate; however, finance cannot be justified from the Local Transport Plan, which is fully committed. It is likely that the scheme will continue to be regarded, overall, as a low priority in future years.

Consultations will be carried out with key partner organisations and those residences and businesses directly affected during the development of the scheme. It is a statutory requirement to publicise the proposals on-street and in the local press. Delivery of the scheme is subject to satisfactory consultations.

### The Outputs for the Project

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

Milestones and Key Events	Forecast Dates
Consultations	September 2011
Approval	October 2011
Publication of Proposals	December 2011
Planning and Highways Committee	January 2012
Implementation	March 2012

### Recommendation: Approve

The application supports the Attractive and Inclusive theme of the local area and the priority of Attractive and cared for environment for the North area.

### Application No.3 – SIB

<b>Funding Source</b>	<b>SIB</b>
<b>Name of Project</b>	Houghton Feast
<b>Lead Organisation</b>	Sunderland City Council – Zoe Channing

<b>Total cost of Project</b>	<b>Total Match Funding</b>	<b>Total SIB requested</b>
£41,000	£38,000	£3000
<b>Project Duration</b>	<b>Start Date</b>	<b>End Date</b>
5 months	July 2011	November 2011

### The Project

Houghton Feast 2011 will commence with an opening ceremony on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> October. Taking inspiration from the Saxon stone carvings of Wyverns which can be found in St Michael's Church, the Festival will this year be based on the theme of myths and legends

with particular focus on the Lambton Worm. Community workshops will take place across the city in the run up to the event. These workshops will be led by a key writer in residence who will use the legend of the Lambton Worm as a foundation to create a new story with community members. This story will then be brought to life by professional artists and community participants during workshops in schools and community venues. These workshops will result in a short, high quality performance using sound and light during the Friday night ceremony. Friday's performance will then link directly to the Saturday parade which will feature children from all areas of the City who have taken part in the preparation workshops.

Workshops will take place in each of the 5 Areas across Sunderland in an effort to build audiences for and raise the profile of Houghton Feast. Participants will have the opportunity of being involved in the Saturday Parade.

### **The Need for the Project**

The theme of Myths and Legends was selected through consultation with local school and community groups. The Houghton Feast Steering Group have also been involved in the development of this concept. In previous years several schools have expressed an interest to be involved with the Houghton Feast Workshops, this new approach will allow more schools and community groups to participate in the process.

The funding from North Area Committee will provide access to the festival activity for a greater number of people providing opportunities to participate in the Saturday parade and the overall festival programme.

The Arts Team will be working closely with the Community Network Co-ordinator to identify community groups and schools who may be interested in taking part.

### **The Outputs for the Project**

Output Code	Description	Number
S5	Number of young people benefiting from youth inclusion/diversionary projects	20
A3	Number of Community/Voluntary Groups supported	1
A6	Number of community or educational events held	7

<b>Milestones and Key Events</b>	<b>Forecast Dates</b>
Approval of funding from Area Committees	July 2011
Procurement of writer in residence	August 2011
Workshops with schools and community groups	September 2011
Promotion of events	September 2011
Delivery of events	October 2011
Evaluation/Debrief	November 2011

### **Recommendation: Approve**

The application supports the Attractive and Inclusive theme of the local area and the priorities of Heritage and Activities for Young People for the North area.

### **Application No.4 – SIB**

<b>Funding Source</b>	<b>SIB</b>
<b>Name of Project</b>	Sunderland Recreation Park
<b>Lead Organisation</b>	Sunderland City Council – Jane Hall

<b>Total cost of Project</b>	<b>Total Match Funding</b>	<b>Total SIB requested</b>
£7,000	£0	£7000
<b>Project Duration</b>	<b>Start Date</b>	<b>End Date</b>
2 months	October 2011	November 2011

#### **The Project**

The improvements to the entrances of Recreational Park at Seaburn are following feedback from organisations using the site and difficulties they have encountered moving on and off the site.

The SIB funding will be used to build up the entrance areas to allow an even gradient and reinforcing the entrances through the use of plastic reinforcing mesh (GP flex).

This work will make the site more suitable for delivering events and help to retain the businesses/organisations who hire the site to deliver events and other activity. It will also support the opportunity to use the site more frequently for cultural/heritage based activities.

The improvements will also support and add further value to the Seafront Improvements currently underway.

#### **The Need for the Project**

Feedback has been received from external event organisers of the site who have experienced difficulties accessing and exiting the site and requested that the issue be reviewed.

#### **The Outputs for the Project**

Output Code	Description	Number
A1	Number of new or improved community facilities or equipment	1

<b>Milestones and Key Events</b>	<b>Forecast Dates</b>
Recreation Park closed and work commences	October 2011
Work completed and recreation park reopened	November 2011

#### **Recommendation: Approve**

The application supports the Attractive and Inclusive theme of the local area and the priority of Heritage for the North area.

### **Application No.5 – SIP**

<b>Funding Source</b>	<b>SIP</b>
<b>Name of Project</b>	Dene Lane Bulb Planting
<b>Lead Organisation</b>	Sunderland City Council – Andy Old

<b>Total cost of Project</b>	<b>Total Match Funding</b>	<b>Total SIP requested</b>
£230	£0	£230
<b>Project Duration</b>	<b>Start Date</b>	<b>End Date</b>
2 months	October 2011	November 2011

#### **The Project**

Plant bulbs to each side of Dene Lane footpath, which is on a main bus and car route and close to a shopping centre area. The bulbs will flower in the spring and reoccur annually with no additional maintenance required. These works will physically improve the appearance of the area and shopping centre bringing benefit to the local community.

#### **The Need for the Project**

Local residents have raised the request with Ward Councillors.

#### **The Outputs for the Project**

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

<b>Milestones and Key Events</b>	<b>Forecast Dates</b>
Order the bulbs	October 2011
Plant bulbs	November 2011

#### **Recommendation: Approve**

The application supports the Attractive and Inclusive theme of the local area and the priority of Attractive and cared for environment for the North area.

### **Application No.6 – SIP**

<b>Funding Source</b>	<b>SIP</b>
<b>Name of Project</b>	Southwick Environmental Improvements
<b>Lead Organisation</b>	Sunderland City Council – Norman Atkinson

<b>Total cost of Project</b>	<b>Total Match Funding</b>	<b>Total SIP requested</b>
£3553.76 (benches: £1682; baskets: £1872)	£0	£3553.76
<b>Project Duration</b>	<b>Start Date</b>	<b>End Date</b>
2 months	July 2011	August 2012

#### **The Project**

Purchase and installation of 2 seating benches near the play area within Thompson Park. There is limited seating which is spread out across the park, the installation of the additional seating will support the accessibility and use of the park and play area for families and local residents.

The hire of artificial hanging baskets x 14 to be located on The Green at Southwick. This will physically improve the appearance of the area and bring benefit to local residents, community groups and businesses.

### **The Need for the Project**

The project was developed by Southwick ward Councillors in response to local need.

### **The Outputs for the Project**

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

Milestones and Key Events	Forecast Dates
Order the seating and artificial flowers	July 2011
Install seating and artificial flowers	August 2011

### **Recommendation: Approve**

The application supports the Attractive and Inclusive theme of the local area and the priority of Attractive and cared for environment for the North area.

### **Application No.7 – SIP**

<b>Funding Source</b>	<b>SIP</b>
<b>Name of Project</b>	Southwick Christmas Tree
<b>Lead Organisation</b>	Sunderland City Council – Michelle Whittle

<b>Total cost of Project</b>	<b>Total Match Funding</b>	<b>Total SIP requested</b>
£3600	£0	£3600
<b>Project Duration</b>	<b>Start Date</b>	<b>End Date</b>
3 months	November 2011	January 2012

### **The Project**

The project seeks to enhance the Southwick Shopping centre with the provision of an illuminated Christmas tree and an official switch on of the tree.

The project will complement and build upon the provision of Christmas trees and illuminations in other parts of the City.

As outlined above it is considered that the project will benefit all sections of the community and thereby contribute to some of the key priorities of the Sunderland North LAP, through the attractiveness of the centre thereby resulting in increased numbers of visitors and shoppers with the potential economic benefit to traders in the area over the Christmas period.

### **The Need for the Project**

The need has been identified by local ward Councillors who wish to build upon the success of last year's event and illuminations. The area is the main shopping centre in Southwick and Shopping Centres have been identified as a priority for the North area. It is anticipated that this will add value to other works ongoing.

### **The Outputs for the Project**

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

<b>Milestones and Key Events</b>	<b>Forecast Dates</b>
Purchase and delivery of tree and lights	November 2011
Electrical Works	November 2011
Erection and dressing of tree	December 2011
Switch on Event	December 2011

### **Recommendation: Approve**

The application supports the Attractive and Inclusive theme of the local area and the priority of Attractive and cared for environment for the North

### **Application No.8 – SIP**

<b>Funding Source</b>	<b>SIP</b>
<b>Name of Project</b>	St Peters Environmental Improvements
<b>Lead Organisation</b>	Sunderland City Council – Andy Old

<b>Total cost of Project</b>	<b>Total Match Funding</b>	<b>Total SIP requested</b>
£500	£0	£500
<b>Project Duration</b>	<b>Start Date</b>	<b>End Date</b>
5 months	July 2011	November 2011

### **The Project**

Plantation of bedding plants on the large roundabout at the Wheatcheaf. The area has suffered from low levels of satisfaction amongst residents recently and there are areas of land which appear uncared for. This affects the local community and visitors perception of the area. The location proposed for bedding plants is on a main route into and out of the city as well as a very busy public transport route..

The area attracts a lot of visitors from out of the area due to it's proximity to the football stadium, the coast, seafront and proposed world heritage site, this project would improve the physical appearance of the area making it more attractive and welcoming for local residents and visitors and help to improve satisfaction levels in the area.



### **The Need for the Project**

The area has been highlighted by local councillors as well as the area experiencing low levels of satisfaction when surveyed and consulted.

### **The Outputs for the Project**

Output Code	Description	Number
A4	Number of programme of works to improve the physical appearance of the streets	1

<b>Milestones and Key Events</b>	<b>Forecast Dates</b>
Purchase bedding plants	July 2011
Install bedding plants	July 2011
Remove bedding plants	November 2011

### **Recommendation: Approve**

The application supports the Attractive and Inclusive theme of the local area and the priority of Attractive and cared for environment for the North