Annex 4

North Heritage Action Plan

Action	Description	Progress	Lead	Timescale
Recruit Heritage Community Development Worker	 Provide help, advice and support to groups working in heritage in the area. Can co-ordinate area based heritage activities and support groups to build relationships, share experience, knowledge and resources and support the recruitment of further volunteers. Source and access external funding for heritage activities. Support the voluntary and community sector to develop sustainable heritage delivery. 	Community Heritage Development Workers now in post (Nov 2012) funded through area committee and SWITCH.	City Services CHDOs	Nov 2011
Develop Education Learning Resources	 Accessible resources for schools and informal learning groups - Living History North East (LHNE) have been funded to deliver elements of this) Training for history/heritage groups to go into schools and the local community to talk about local heritage (LHNE have been funded to deliver this training) Collections and resources available for schools and local communities to access (LHNE have been funded to support groups to manage collections and make them available for use). Local history books for children 	4 history groups from the North area engaged in project and some training has been delivered. As part of this bespoke training will be developed and delivered to meet individual need. Initial planning meetings commenced to develop a collective leaflet to promote the societies and the work they do.	Living History North East	TBC
Provide Heritage based Family and Adult Learning resources	 Audit the availability and cost of heritage based family learning projects – look to develop a free/low cost accessible learning opportunity. 	To be developed Some general training has been delivered through LHNE and each group in North are being approached in order to create and develop bespoke training.	CHDOs/Family and Community Learning/ LHNE	Oct 2012
Develop Heritage based Youth learning resources	 Engage with existing youth provision and develop heritage based learning, events and projects 	A heritage learning based project has been developed in partnership with Beamish and Sunderland (SAFC) to be delivered throughout the primary schools in the North area - £20,000 aligned	Beamish – S Woolley	Dec 2012

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		through SIB to this project. 9 of the 16 primary schools have been engaged and teachers visited Beamish to plan the project to fit in with the curriculum within the schools. The remaining 8 schools also want to be involved but were unable to attend the training day. A further training and planning day took place in November which engaged the parents and VCS heritage sector to plan their involvement and participation in the project.		
Further develop Heritage Open Days (HODs)	 Extend and increase participation in the annual open day's events. Increase visiting audiences 	CHDOs will work with community based heritage groups to raise the awareness of HODs and to identify new activities and venues for 2012. To liaise with Community Heritage Groups and appropriate partners, including the Sunderland Heritage Forum, to increase participation in HOD events. Participation with a range of local organisations including schools and social housing services to increase positive engagement with HODs.	CHDOs/VCS	Sept 2012
Develop event delivery and provision	 Heritage fun days to celebrate, promote and share heritage work, activities and collections. Re-enactment events, bringing local history/stories to life through performance Traditional sporting events Events where individuals can participate in traditional skills that are now very rarely used or not used at all. 	Identify and support the delivery of a range of community based cross generational heritage events by working with a range of partners and community groups. To source internal and external funding streams in order to deliver events and ensure the efficient management of these financial resources. Establish guidelines and support materials to provide a framework for the future provision for events and activities beyond the life of the project.	CHDOs/ Community Development Co-ordinator/ Events Team	Nov 2012

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Provide Funding advice resources	Develop a resource that can be used by local groups to access funding to deliver heritage activities as an individual group or consortium (LHNE have been given funding to develop and element of this)	CHDOs to identify and complement the work already being undertaken on this subject by Living History North East. CHDOs to work to provide comprehensive access to up to date information and guidance on appropriate funding opportunities for community heritage groups. This resource will potentially be located on a community heritage website which will enhance its sustainability beyond the life of the project.	CHDOs/ LHNE	Aug 2012
Provide Collections Management advice and guidance	 Digitising Collections (LHNE have an element of funding to support this) Management, protection, storage, handling and loan of collections Shared equipment resource available for local groups for use to record history/heritage and digitising collections (LHNE have been funded to develop an equipment resource) 	LHNE will support the training of volunteers in skills that will support the digitisation of their collections – training commenced Miners banner review, storage and public display CHDOs to identify and complement the work already being undertaken on this subject by Living History North East. CHDOs to work to provide community based access to dedicated ICT resources that will enable heritage groups to digitise and manage their collections. This would include the purchase / loan of equipment including PCs, laptop(s), scanners and relevant software. Facilitate the provision of appropriate collections management training including the required ICT skills. Guidelines and supporting materials will also be made available and accessible, potentially as part of a community based heritage website.	CHDOs/ LHNE	Jul 2012

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		The Libraries and Information Access Zone mobile ICT learning facility will also be used to provide training and support to community heritage groups.		
Provide Conservation advice and guidance	Potential future areas of designation for conservation	Roker Park Project developed in partnership with CEED and Planning to support the redevelopment of the Lodge and Park. Review what conservation areas are currently in existence, is this still appropriate, are there any new areas?	CEED / Conservation Team	Ongoing
Produce a full list of heritage provision as a learning tool for the City	List of buildings, activities and areas of interest to be developed and publicised for the North area. Local Studies have pulled together a list – consider developing this further through schools engaging in developing a local history book for education and visitors alike.	CHDOs to develop as part of their role and to develop as part of web based information.	CHDOs / Community Development Co-ordinator / Schools	Sept 2012
Develop and implement Heritage Trails	Develop plans and walks around the local area based upon heritage and history.	Complete an audit of existing heritage walks and trails and identify any opportunities for their further development and promotion. Engage with community groups to identify potential new heritage themed walks and trails. Work will then take place in partnership with Planning Services to implement the delivery of one or more of these.	CHDOs/ Community Development Co-ordinator / VCS/Wellness	Oct 2012
		Maximise cross generational community participation in walks and trails by linking them to established Council priorities including wellness and social inclusion. SAFC football trail has been completed and funded through Community Chest.		

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