Coalfield Area Committee

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Report of the Office of the Chief Executive

Community Action in Coalfield – Reviewing Progress and Agreeing Next Steps

Financial Statements and Funding Request

1. Strategic Initiatives Budget

- 1.1 Following the April 2010 Area Committee meeting, a balance of £303,936 remains to be allocated this financial year. This consists of £241,514 for 2010/11 and £62,422 carried over from 2009/10.
- 1.2 The following projects are recommended for approval:

| 1. | Houghton Feast Opening Ceremony | £10,000 |
|----|-------------------------------------|---------|
| 2. | Eppleton CC Training Facilities | £13,162 |
| 3. | Philadelphia CC Training Facilities | £9,000 |
| 4. | 3G Camera Addition | £5,500 |

1.3 Projects recommended for approval total £37,662. Should Committee approve those proposals the remaining balance for the 2010/11 allocation would be £266,274.

2. Strategic Investment Plan (SIP)

- 2.1 Following the April 2010 Area Committee meeting a balance of £145,140 remains to be allocated and fully spend this financial year. There is one project recommended for approval from the Shiney Row ward budget:
 - 1. South View Phase 2 £7.500

3. Community Chest

3.1 Community Chest remaining balances to be allocated (following the last meeting in April), project proposals received, and the balance remaining should those proposals be approved (including the unclaimed allocations identified from previous years), are detailed below:

COMMUNITY CHEST 2010/2011 COALFIELD AREA PROJECTS PROPOSED FOR APPROVAL

| WARD | PROJECT | AMOUNT | ALLOCATION 2010/2011 | PROJECT PROPOSALS | BALANCE REMAINING |
|------------|---|--------|-------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| COPT HILL | The Hetton Centre | 250 | | | |
| | Houghton Hillside Cemetery Restoration | 375 | | | |
| | Houghton Harriers & Athletic Club | 533 | | | |
| | Shiney Row Male Voice Choir | 333 | | | |
| | Totals | | 11,744 | 1,491 | 10,253 |
| HETTON | The Hetton Centre | | | | |
| | Friends of the Hetton Centre | 600 | | | |
| | Hetton Community Linedance Group | 600 | | | |
| | Easington Lane Senior Citizens Group | 945 | | | |
| | Easington Lane & Hetton Club for the Disabled | 335 | | | |
| | Little Stars Toddler Group | 500 | | | |
| | Hetton Lyons Mothers Union | 700 | | | |
| | Thursday Bingo Club | 169 | | | |
| | Moorsley Residents Group | 590 | | | |
| | Totals | | 10,916 | 4,939 | 5,977 |
| HOUGHTON | St. John's Methodist Church Youth Group | 231 | | | |
| | Houghton Hillside Cemetery Restoration | 375 | | | |
| | Houghton Harriers & Athletic Club | 533 | | | |
| | Shiney Row Male Voice Choir | 333 | | | |
| | Totals | | 11,940 | 1,472 | 10,468 |
| SHINEY ROW | Mount Pleasant Lake | 500 | | | |
| | Shiney Row Childcare Ltd., | 474 | | | |
| | Penshaw Catholic Club F.C. | 500 | | | |
| | Penshaw Catholic Women's Guild | 500 | | | |
| | Houghton Harriers & Athletic Club | 533 | | | |
| | Shiney Row Male Voice Choir | 333 | | | |
| | Herrington Miner's Banner Group | 500 | | | |
| | New Herrington Bowling Club | 500 | | | |
| | Penshaw Catholic Club Over 40's F.C. | 500 | | | |
| | Totals | | 11,071 | 4,340 | 6,731 |
| TOTALS | | | 45,671 | 12,242 | 33,429 |

SIB and SIP funding applications : Summary Document SIB Applications

Application No.1

| Name of Project Houghton Feast Opening Ceremony | | |
|---|-------------------------|--|
| Lead Organisation | Sunderland City Council | |

| Total Cost of Project | Total Match Funding | Total SIB Requested |
|-----------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| £16,000 | £6,000 | £10,000 |
| Project Duration | Start Date | End Date |
| 4 months | July 2010 | October 2010 |

The Project

The aim of the Houghton feast is to bring together the communities of Houghton, Hetton and surrounding areas. The main aim of this project is to develop the audience of young people by working with schools and other organisations (such as scouts, brownies, Streetz café and community access points) in the Coalfield area. By involving key groups in the planning, organisation and delivery of the event, supporting community groups, schools and youth and play services to run workshops and events, the project will give control of the event back to its local community and enable sustainability. Preparation for the carnival type event with an international theme will include learning, art and craft sessions to make lanterns, flags and costumes. All participants involved will be invited to take part in the opening ceremony of Houghton Feast 2010 to create a vibrant international carnival.

The Outputs for the Project

| Output Code | Description | Target 2010/11 |
|----------------|--|----------------|
| S5 | No. of young people taking part in diversionary activities of art and dance workshops and performing at the evening event. | 250 |
| A3 | Number of community and voluntary groups supported to run their own workshops for other groups, employ artists and project manage events. | 4 |
| A6 | Number of community or educational events held. Total number of art and dance workshops, training events and one large scale community carnival parade held. | 30 |

| Milestones and Key Events | Forecast Dates |
|---|------------------------------|
| Identify groups, schools and partners for the project | August 2010 |
| Tender and contract artists to deliver programme | August 2010 |
| Workshops to take place across the community | August - October 2010 |
| Hold opening ceremony carnival event | 8 th October 2010 |

Recommendation: Approve

The project will be sustained through the continued involvement of the community in terms of planning, fundraising and volunteering. The management of the festival by the community and the partnership with Primary Schools will ensure that the event continues to be an important part of the calendar in the Coalfields area. The project will meet two of the priorities under the learning theme and will utilise a currently empty shop unit to promote workshops and the event itself encouraging community involvement.

It is recommended that the funding is awarded on condition that the project steering group ensure adequate temporary toilet provision will be in place for the duration of the Houghton Feast. This is essential to provide facilities for expected increased numbers of attendees. The Area Officer has discussed this with the Lead Agent and will be kept updated regarding toilet provision.

Application No.2

| Name of Project | Eppleton CC Training Facilities |
|-------------------|---------------------------------|
| Lead Organisation | Eppleton Cricket Club |

| Total Cost of Project | Total Match Funding | Total SIB Requested |
|-----------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| £13,162 | n/a | £13,162 |
| Project Duration | Start Date | End Date |
| 2 months | September 2010 | October 2010 |

The Project

Eppleton Cricket Club serves the local community and currently has over 60 Junior Members playing in junior teams. They promote teamwork and respect of others to these children and are now working with the local Primary School by providing Qualified Cricket Coaches to allow school children to participate in sporting activities which promotes exercise and a healthier lifestyle. The club would like to purchase and install artificial grass cricket training facilities and purchase new equipment for use by the children described above. This would also allow the coaching of the school children to take place in a more controlled and safer environment and allow the facilities to be used during periods of poor weather.

The Outputs for the Project

| Output Code | Description | Target 2010/11 |
|----------------|---|----------------|
| H2 | Number of children participating in sporting activity | 90 |

| Milestones and Key Events | Forecast Dates |
|---------------------------|----------------|
| Work commences | September 2010 |
| Work completed | October 2010 |

Recommendation: Approve

The project will meet two of the priorities identified in the Local Area Plan, under the Learning Theme (Prepare young people for adult life – encourage and build confidence) and under the Healthy theme (Provide more accessible sporting and exercise facilities). The provision of a synthetic training area will enable the club to carry out sessions at times when a grass pitch would be unsuitable (e.g. wet weather).

Application No.3

| Name of Project | Philadelphia CC Training Facilities |
|-------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Lead Organisation | Philadelphia Cricket Club |

| Total Cost of Project | Total Match Funding | Total SIB Requested |
|-----------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| £57,000 | £48,000 | £9,000 |
| Project Duration | Start Date | End Date |
| 7 months | August 2010 | March 2011 |

The Project

The project will enable Philadelphia Cricket Club to build a two lane non-turf facility. The proposed practice facilities will greatly enhance the club's ability to provide opportunities for people from the age of 7 and above to participate in sport. It will enable them to expand the outdoor practice and coaching capability for a greater period of the year and more hours per week. It will also enable the club to extend their school activities so that a greater number of children have access to facilities. The club currently coach in all of the local schools. The aim is to recruit new participants to cricket through this route.

The Outputs for the Project

| Output Code | Description | Target 2010/11 |
|----------------|---|----------------|
| H2 | Number of people engaged in sporting activities | 100 |

| Milestones and Key Events | Forecast Dates |
|---|----------------|
| Works completed | September 2010 |
| Official opening with maximum publicity | October 2010 |
| Programme for 2011 organised | March 2011 |

Recommendation: Approve

The development of the proposed practice facility will have a significant impact on the club's ability to improve the quality and capacity of practice and training both for existing club members and schools. The project meets the priorities of the Coalfield Local Area Plan (LAP) under the Health theme. A successful bid to the England and Wales Cricket Board for £42,000 is a one off opportunity to access this substantial amount of funding. The club will contribute £6,000 from their own funds. The contribution from SIB would enable the project to proceed.

Application No.4

| Name of Project | Coalfields 3G Camera Addition |
|-------------------|-------------------------------|
| Lead Organisation | Sunderland City Council |

| Total Cost of Project | Total Match Funding | Total SIB Requested |
|-----------------------|---------------------|---------------------------------|
| £12,000 | £6,500 | £5,500 |
| Project Duration | Start Date | End Date |
| | July 2010 | Ongoing (maintained until 2014) |

The Project

At present, the Coalfields area has four 3G cameras which tend to remain in their respective areas. It has been noted that, upon moving cameras from their 'home positions', crime and disorder begins to increase again in the area. This is owing to there not being static cameras within the town centres of Houghton, Hetton, Easington Lane and Shiney Row. The additional camera would serve to 'float' amongst all areas, allowing hotspots to be effectively targeted without sacrificing coverage in the centres.

The Outputs for the Project

| Output Code | Description | Target 2010/11 |
|----------------|----------------------------------|----------------|
| S3 | Number of CCTV cameras installed | 1 |

| Milestones and Key Events | Forecast Dates |
|---|----------------|
| Camera received | September 2010 |
| Report to LMAPS on benefits gained from utilising additional camera | November 2011 |

Recommendation: Approve

The project will meet the safe theme of the Local Area Plan and will assist the Police in reducing the fear of crime. Intelligence from Inspector Graham Finlay, supported by LMAPS and the CCTV Focus Group has provided the evidence base to progress this project. The CCTV group will provide 50% of funding to purchase the camera and the LMAPS group will provide funding for the maintenance/monitoring for three years.

SIP Application Application No.1

| Name of Project | South View Phase 2, Shiney Row |
|-------------------|--------------------------------|
| Lead Organisation | Sunderland City Council |

| Total Cost of Project | Total Match Funding | Total SIP Requested |
|-----------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| £7,500 (Phase 2) | 93 | £7,500 |
| Project Duration | Start Date | End Date |
| 2 months | July 2010 | August 2010 |

The Project

Phase 1 of the South View project was completed in April 2010 and improved the condition of the unadopted road to make it safer and more attractive for residents, pupils, parents and teachers to access the primary school. The project graded the existing surface and then laid recycled road planings through a road paving machine to provide an even and compacted road surface.

This is Phase 2 of the project which will extend the improved surface along South View which leads to South View, Henry Street and an allotment site. This will improve access for residents, street users and allotment holders and visitors. There would be easier access, for wheelchair and pushchair users, for older people and families to gain access.

The Outputs for the Project

| Output Code | Description | Target 2010/11 |
|----------------|--|----------------|
| A1 | Number of new or improved community facilities and equipment | 1 |

| Milestones and Key Events | Forecast Dates |
|--|----------------|
| Re-grade existing road surface and lay 740sq.m of recycled road planings | August 2010 |

Recommendation: Approve

Subject to consultation taking place with residents and allotment holders where appropriate