Funding Source	SIB
Name of Project	Castleview MUGA
Lead Organisation	Judith Birrup – Castleview Academy

Total cost of Project	Total Match Funding	Total SIB requested
£63,281.47	£5,000	£58,000
Project Duration	Start Date	End Date
2 years	May 2012	July 2014

The Project

The MUGA is currently out of use and requires refurbishment to ensure it can be brought back into use and allow those groups, projects and activities previously delivered to continue and be further developed for the benefit of the community.

Refurbishment of the MUGA – Patch existing base to use as a shock pad, lay 40mm 3G sand and rubber crumb surface, TigerTurf. 6 x D's inlaid permanently into surface and 2 x netball courts printed on surface. Carry out highlighted fencing works and install rebound boards to ensure it can be brought back into use and allow those groups, projects and activities previously delivered to continue and be further developed for the benefit of the community. Works will be carried out by professional organisation

The MUGA is available to the local community to access facilities allowing them to deliver sporting activities that help to engage local people and improve their health and wellbeing, build self esteem and improve community cohesion. The groups that use the MUGA include community and voluntary sector organisations that support volunteering opportunities for the local community and opportunities for individuals to train and develop through the delivery of sports and activities.

In addition the delivery of the programmes and activities for young people has improved community cohesion through providing positive activities for people and supported the reduction in anti social behaviour within the area.

Some of the activities that are delivered within the MUGA have been developed and are delivered by volunteers within the local community. The activities have been developed in response to issues within the community with the aim of improving the area as a place to live for all.

The Academy will fund the Friday night soccer league for young people for a minimum of two years. This will be a 2 hour session over 39 weeks of the year (term time). Holiday periods will be covered under the SCC/SIB/Academy holiday funding programme. The Academy will pay the salary of one leader and support the volunteers to ensure that the young people can participate in the Friday night football league.

The Academy will continue to develop the sports MUGA for young people to try to reduce anti social behaviour in the community. This will be used in all holiday periods as well as Friday evenings.

The Need for the Project

Consultation meetings with prospective users to identify interest.

- Waiting List of users
- Evaluation / feedback from Holiday activities
- Statistics showing reduction in crime and anti-social behaviour

• Partnership Developments i.e. Local Authority, Gentoo, Sport North East.

A range of holiday activities were available for students, families and the local community during the summer break and October half-term. CVEA worked in partnership with the Sport & Fitness Centre, Sunderland City Council, Sport Northeast and local businesses to offer a varied programme promoting healthy lifestyles through sport and creative arts.

- Sunderland North Area Committee Local Area Plan identifying activities for young people as a priority for the North area of Sunderland.

- The Safer Sunderland Partnership through consultation identified one of the issues for North Sunderland was teenagers hanging around streets.

- The Place survey undertaken by Sunderland City Council identified activities for teenagers need improvements.

Output Code	Description	Number
A4	Number of events/programmes of work to improve the physical appearance of the streets	1
L7	Number of additional youth sessions per week	1
L8	Number of additional young people engaged and participating in youth provision	100

The Outputs for the Project

Milestones and Key Events	Forecast Dates
Pitch installed	07/05/2012
Friday night league running by July	01/07 /2012
Holiday programmes running	20/07/2012

Recommendation: Approve subject to conditions detailed below

The application supports the priorities of attractive and cared for environment, activities for young people and anti social behaviour in the North Area.

Condition 1: A sinking fund is put into place to ensure future maintenance costs. Condition 2: Castleview Academy to establish, delivery and meet the cost of Friday night football at the MUGA for a period of 2 years.

Condition 3: The Academy will inform and/or develop programmes with Sports Development with the opportunity for Sports Development to run sessions from the Academy.

Funding Source	SIB
Name of Project	Sports Complex Improvement Project
Lead Organisation	CEED

Total cost of Project	Total Match Funding	Total SIB requested
£16,698.48	£0	£16,698.48
Project Duration	Start Date	End Date
One year	July 2012	July 2012

The Project

The project will involve consultation with local people on what they value about this area and how they wish to use it. This will involve some decision making on the proposed work. While the work will largely follow the ideas listed below, CEED will maintain a degree of flexibility to enable suitable responses to ideas generated from residents. Local schools will be encouraged to undertake practical activities, in particular the planting of suitable shrubs and plants that will either make the area more attractive, or provide food resources for wildlife. They will also be encouraged to record the wildlife that uses the areas they have helped create, and form associations with birds and trees, and insects and flowers.

In particular, the project will seek to:

- Improve plantations through selective felling, with stump treatment to prevent coppice re-growth.
- Selective and sensitive felling to favour smaller tree and shrub species under the power lines to remove the need for the power company to undertake these operations.
- Dense shrub areas will thinned to be made more attractive for people and beneficial for wildlife with a more open structure.
- Thinned plantations and open shrub areas with sight lines will reduce antisocial behaviour by removing features which enable anyone to carry out activities while hidden from view.
- Shrubs with attractive flowers and fruit will be selected and planted to encourage wildlife and traditional crafts with locally grown food.
- Planting of hedgerow shrubs such as hawthorn, blackthorn and wild roses on the inside of the fence which runs along the north verge of Kingsway Road, will form a long term barrier and discourage the creation of informal routes through removal of fencing.
- The creation of formal routes into the area and through designed planting will encourage local residents to use the area, further discouraging anti-social behaviour.
- CEED will continue to work at the Big Pond, supporting the fishing club and Bishop Harland School with environmental education activities.

The Need for the Project

While CEED has been working on the Big Pond project at the Sports Complex, it has been recorded that a major problem affecting the use of the site was anti-social behaviour. CEED has undertaken a large number of clean up days and litter picking operations, the impact of which was largely negated by the fact that anti-social behaviour continued. CEED project Officers felt that the seclusion offered by the vegetation contributed greatly to the high levels of anti social behaviour. Many of the entrances to the area were shielded from sight by shrubs, hedgerows, brash and trees. These were the areas where vandalism was most apparent. Evidence of drinking and drug taking were prevalent, trees had been pushed over, snapped or otherwise broken. Many of them had been used to create fires. Fires created with wheelie bins has also been an issue

The Outputs for the Project

Output Code	Description	Number
A1	Number of new or improved community facilities and equipment	1
A2	Number of people using new and improved community facilities	150
A3	Number of community/voluntary groups supported	3
A4	Number of events/programmes of work to improve appearance of streets	24

Milestones and Key Events	Forecast Dates
Create access route	30th August 2012
Tree and hedge works complete	30th February 2013
Wildflowers planted	30th March 2013
Management schedule produced	30th June 2013

Recommendation: Approve

The application supports the priorities of attractive and cared for environment and anti social behaviour in the North Area.