

Strategic Initiatives Budget: South Live Project Update
7th January 2008

APPENDIX 1

2005/6 Project Allocations					
Project	Approval	Alloc. £k	Exp to date	Balance £k	Lead Agent
The Phoenix Project - Community Outreach Programme	31.10.05	6	1.833	4.167	The Phoenix Project
<p>SIB funding was provided from all six Area Committees to support the Phoenix Project. The project, led by the Fire Service, works in partnership with the Youth Offending Service, by delivering intensive work experience and courses to offenders. SIB funding will also contribute towards the refurbishment and upgrade of the Community Safety Centre at Sunderland Fire Station, by providing a lecture room in which a further 200 - 300 young people can access the courses on offer. This quarter expenditure has been on the various in house training courses which have taken place throughout the year, the purchase of equipment which has consisted of course materials, specialist clothing and footwear and fees connected with the refurbishment of the dedicated lecture room which is currently in the planning stages. The Planning application has been agreed and plans are being drawn up. Once these are complete and agreed the refurbishment will commence. Expenditure is ongoing and has been utilised from other areas first.</p>					
2006/7 Project Allocations					
Project	Approval	Alloc. £k	Exp to date	Balance £k	Lead Agent
Sit 'n b' Fit - Improving the Health & Independent Living of Sunderland's Elderly People	05.06.06	3.120	2.051	1.069	Sit 'n b' Fit
<p>Funding across all six areas to improve health, mobility and to extend people's ability to sustain independent living through appropriate seated exercises. The aim of the project is to encourage people living in residential homes and sheltered accommodation to take part in exercise to improve their health, confidence and self esteem and also to encourage the general public to come into sheltered accommodation or care homes, by offering activities with the other residents and their families to increase social interaction and improve their quality of life. The seated exercise sessions are fully operational in 22 residential care homes across the City and the programme is receiving excellent feedback from both clients and the Care Homes, where staff have seen an improvement in resident's health and ability. Expenditure and the project are ongoing. Expenditure is ongoing.</p>					
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Wearable Service Development Capacity Building Project	04.09.06	7.080	4.931	2.149	Wearable

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SIB funding has been sought to employ a part-time member of staff to develop the services and capacity of the project, who currently support various organisations and networks across the city, to help them improve their work with disabled people. A website will also be developed as part of the project which will allow different organisations to access vital information about services on offer across the City. As a result of SIB funding the project has been able to secure additional funding to provide Equality Disability Awareness Packs to be distributed within the local area and have held a 3 day training event in conjunction with the NHS Trust on disability awareness and the development of Disability awareness for children. The project and expenditure are ongoing.

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2007/8 Project Allocations					
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Area Committee Marketing Project	05.03.07	8	0	8	Development & Regeneration
Funding across all six areas to continue the provision of a dedicated marketing communications functions to all Area Committees. This will include developing a comprehensive phase two Communications Strategy which will maximise publicity for all SIB and Community Chest funded projects, continue to raise awareness of SIB and the projects supported by the fund and shape the range of applications being submitted. This will be achieved through various communications tools including, local press coverage, newsletters and display material at community and funding events.					
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South Events Budget	04.06.07	10	4.481	5.519	Development & Regeneration
Funding to enhance the support that the Committee is able to offer local groups operating in the area and currently has a major role in the work of the new South Forum, in bringing together community organisations and groups working and located in the South Area. Expenditure to date has been on 5 projects: a contribution towards a community 'Teddy Bear's Picnic' hosted by Friends of Doxford Park in June; the South Forum's 'A taste of the South Community Event in July; two excursions to Moorhouse Activity Centre for Silksworth Junior Club in August to provide young people who attend the club with motivating challenges; a contribution towards additional repairs and restoration works to Silksworth War Memorial; and costs associated with a planning application to support the placing of CCTV in the vicinity of the Puma Centre site and Silksworth Lane to help combat anti-social behaviour. All projects were approved by the South Area Chair.					
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Get Fit at Farringdon	04.06.07	15	0	15	Farringdon Community Sports College
Farringdon Community Sports College is a specialist sports college with a sports pavilion that has various facilities including a dance studio, computer suite, multi-use games area, meeting room and kitchen etc. SIB funding has been sought to promote better usage of the pavilion area at the school and to make the facilities already on offer, more accessible and available to parents, students and the wider community by contributing towards staffing and other related costs, to extend opening hours, provide opportunities to develop activities for young people during school holidays and evenings and to encourage other partner organisations such as the Jubilee Centre, SAFC and the A690 Youth Initiative Project to become involved. Over the last three months a receptionist for the centre has been appointed and the Cardiovascular Suite opened on 17th September and currently has 38 members, many of whom are from the local area and have never used a gym before, which is resulting in the promotion of better health within the community.					

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The A690 Youth Initiative	04.06.07	25.502	5.999	19.503	A690 Youth Initiative
SIB is contributing towards employing a full and part time youth worker for two sessions a week, to develop the 'Dreamscheme Initiative across Silksworth, Farringdon and Plains Farm. The scheme uses detached youth work methods to engage young people to become more involved in their communities. Groups of young people are encouraged to develop ideas for projects that will benefit their community and their efforts are rewarded with points that can be accumulated over a period of time and traded for activities. It is envisaged that through the 'Dreamscheme Initiative' young people will be encouraged to get involved in other initiatives that are currently available through the A690 Youth Initiative such as midnight football league, teenager think it over programmes, school holiday activity programmes, the Duke of Edinburgh Award and other events and programmes that are offered at different times of the year. To date the detached youth workers have engaged with over 30 young people a week, in various community activities which have included litter picking at Silksworth Sky Slope, a general tidy up of the area and painting of football goal posts.					
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Extended Services Project - East Herrington Primary School	29.10.07	12.5	0	12.5	East Herrington Primary School
SIB funding has been sought as a contribution towards the overall cost to further develop extended school activities by bringing into use the school hall/gym for community use. This will be achieved by building a storage area, which will enable the school's equipment to be moved and stored away to allow the hall/gym to be used as a meeting and learning venue by the local community. As a result of this extra storage area funded through SIB, appropriate external and internal storage will enhance the community provision by ensuring that Health & Safety regulations are adhered to, will extend the space available in the room as equipment can be moved and stored away correctly and securely, will allow further development of a range of activities offered to both pupils and the local community and will also enable the extension of current Out of School Hours Club activities.					
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Silksworth Park Bowls Club	29.10.07	2.266	0	2.266	Silksworth Park Bowls Club
SIB will be used to supply and install five electronically operated roller shutter to the bowls club tea room and pavilion to improve security. Work is scheduled to commence November 2007 and be complete by January 2008, weather permitting.					

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Durham County Show 2008	29.10.07	1.5	0	1.5	Durham County Agricultural Society
SIB funding from all six Area Committees to support this 2 day event which is scheduled to take place on the 12/13th of July 2008. The event is organised and run by Durham County Agricultural Society and local volunteers in a tradition which dates back to 1841. The show covers a range of entertainment which includes dog shows, show jumping, exhibitions, entertainment, a fairground and an Amphitheatre of music provided by young people from across the City. In recent years the show has attracted crowds of over 40,000 over the 2 days and has brought kudos and recognition to the City. SIB will be used as a contribution towards the overall cost of the show and as leverage to attract further funding to the event.					
Totals		90.968	19.295	71.673	