

# South Derbyshire Local Strategic Partnership

Board meeting 18<sup>th</sup> March 2004

## Agenda Item 5

### Visioning Day – Report Back

#### Introduction

The Visioning Day was held on 28<sup>th</sup> January 2004 and was facilitated by Steve Rogers of INLOGOV. The purpose of the event was to identify a Vision and main themes for the Community Strategy.

Summaries of the two breakout sessions are attached at Annexe A.

#### The Vision

There was a large measure of agreement between groups about the principal 'elements' of the Vision. Partners wished to emphasise:

- *Working together*
- *Better South Derbyshire*
- *Even better*
- *Inclusivity (all people)*

Final suggestions for the Vision included:

**'People working together to built an even better community'**

**'Communities working together to build an even better South Derbyshire'**

**'Working together for a better South Derbyshire'**

#### Themes of the Strategy

As Annexe A illustrates, partners put forward various ideas for themes. In discussion, there appeared to be a general consensus around the following:

- *Safe*
- *Healthy*
- *Inclusive*
- *Economically and environ mentally sustainable*
- *Fun Place to be*
- *Self enabling*

Partners also indicated a wish to align the South Derbyshire Community Strategy themes with those of the countywide Community Strategy.

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A further point is the need to reflect Government guidance on community strategies, especially in relation to environmental and sustainable development issues.

Taking all these various factors into consideration, the following themes are now proposed:

- **Safe Communities**
- **Healthy Communities**
- **A vibrant Economy**
- **A sustainable Environment**
- **Life long Learning and Culture**
- **Creating Opportunities for All**

### Principles

Towards the end of the 'event, partners were invited to think about the principles and values that might underpin the strategy. Some of the ideas put forward are listed below

- *Empowering communities*
- *Equal opportunities and access to services Sustainability*
- *Improving the quality of services*
- *Listening/communicating*

However, the Board should note that the approved Constitution already defines a series of Partnership's Values, which become in effect the 'principles' for the Community Strategy. For information, these comprise:

- making decisions openly and with integrity
- being accountable to the people of South Derbyshire for our decisions
- involving all communities in choices about services and local priorities
- being open and responsive to change
- promoting equality of opportunity and treating people fairly in everything we do
- working collectively and collaboratively to achieve more than we can on our own
- valuing the contribution of local people and partner organisations to the work of the SDLSP
- achieving a better quality of life for everyone now and for generations to come

### Next Stages

Following agreement of a Vision and themes for the Strategy, the next stage will comprise the collection of 'baseline' information and the identification of issues and objectives. This forms the subject of a separate report (Agenda item 6).

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## **Recommendations**

The Board is recommended to:

- (i) indicate it's preferred Vision for inclusion in the Community Strategy
- (ii) agree the following themes as a basis for the development of the Strategy
  - Safe Communities
  - Healthy Communities
  - A vibrant Economy
  - A sustainable Environment
  - Lifelong Learning and Culture
  - Creating Opportunities for All

## **Conclusions of the Breakout Sessions**

### **Session One**

#### **Developing the basic themes for the Partnership**

The Sector Groups were asked to identify what they considered to be the key aims, objectives and priorities of the organisations they represented to see whether they could be considered as themes; identify any evidence about community aspirations; identify other key policies (regional/sub regional initiatives, etc.); using this evidence to determine themes and then suggest lead organisations and relevant key partnerships to carry forward work on that theme.

### **Voluntary Sector Session One**

#### **Creating Opportunities**

- Community Development
- Empowering / social inclusion / access / training / social capital
- Being part of the community
- Access to Services – (concern of the community)
- Signposting / transport / housing / education
- Social Enterprise – sustainability
- Valuing people
- Equal opportunities / diversity / addressing barriers

#### **Evidence – CVS Survey**

- Ageing society / lack of sheltered housing / growing population / hidden deprivation in rural areas
- DC Foundation report
- Training needs and basic skills highlighted by DLSC
- Lack of non-accredited training

### **Private Sector Session One**

- Emphasising the positives!
- Engaging the business community
- Sustainable environment
- Sustainable business development
- Community ownership
- Complexity of community
  - business
  - people working in area
  - residents
- Raising community aspirations
- Economic development – upgrade sustainability
  
- Commitment to environment
- Positive communication – play up benefits
- Building sustainable communities
- Skills and training

- Self belief
- Business community engagement
- Emphasising the positive
- Engaging the business community
- Seizing the moment
- Sustainable development
- Continuous development

**Other Public Sector  
Session One**

**Question 1**

Too many to list.

**Question 2**

- Some evidence
  - Minimal
  - Don't listen because "they don't know what they are talking about"

**Question 3**

Community Capacity

- Building communities who have confidence – can help themselves
- Citizen focused approach from "Us"

**Question 4**

- Building communities which are:
  - Inclusive
  - Fun places to be
  - Environment / Economically sustainable
  - Health
  - Safe
  - Self enabling

Lead

1. Board Member
2. Board Member
3. Board Member
4. Board Member
5. Board Member



Not the obvious individual  
accountability to LSP Board

Agencies lead at Task / Action  
Level

**Local Authority Group**

County Council

- Crime & Community Safety
- Lifelong learning & culture
- Environment, transport and housing
- Children and young people
- Health and social wellbeing
- Economic and community regeneration

District Council

- Economic development
- Crime and community safety
- Improve services
- Caring for the environment
- Support National Forest
- Leisure Activities
- Better Housing
- Community Leadership

Parish Council

- Rural focus / issues
- Fear of crime – lack of police presence
- Youth ‘Disorder’
- Social exclusion – elderly / young
- Access to services
- Environment

Themes

Community Safety

Community Wellbeing

Vibrant Economy

To serve well and fairly

Lead Organisation

DCC

PCT

SDDC

CVS – Scrutiny

Relevant Key Partnership(s)

C&D Partnership

HIMP  
Cultural Strategy  
DALC  
Early Years Partnership  
LLP  
Derbyshire Sport Partnership  
Youth Forum  
Derbyshire Arts Partnership  
Older Peoples Forum  
Housing Partnership  
Rural Transport Forum

SSP  
Derbyshire Partnership Forum  
E Government Partnership  
Coalfields Community  
National Forest Tourism Group  
E. Midlands Regional Assembly  
Chambers  
Derbyshire Tourism Forum

Voluntary Sector Forum  
DALC  
South Derbyshire Mental Health Group  
Sports Forum  
Access Group

Second Group Breakout Session

Towards a Vision and its underpinning Principles

Mixed Groups were requested to identify key words or phrases and from these ideas endeavour to develop a short, single sentence, headline vision statement. Having regard to the identified themes and the vision statement, identify principles or values to underpin the development and implementation of the Community Strategy.

**Group One  
Session Two**

**Key Words / Phrases**

- 'Makes a positive difference'
- 'Sustainable'
- 'Inclusive'
- 'Values People'
  
- "In five years time by working together, South Derbyshire will become an even better place to be"

**Group Two  
Session Two**

- Working together
- Progressive
- Brighter future
- Quality
- "Better South Derbyshire"
- Vibrant / fun
- Desirable surroundings
- Creative
- Opportunity
- Pride
- Belonging
- Local
- Healthy
- Safe
- "For all"
- "Working together to make a good life better"
- Empowering
- 'Exploiting' Opportunities
- Value Adding Partnerships
- Long Term Planning
  - 'Thinking Ahead'
  - Cause and effect
  - Proactive
  - Action orientated
  - Visionary
- Measuring success? – How?
- Positivity – 'can do' attitude

- Grass roots
- Recognition of change in culture
- Open and Fair

**Group Three**  
**Session Two**

**Better South Derbyshire**

- Good quality of life
- Successful, vibrant, healthy
- Provides opportunities
- Voices for success
- Prosperous
- Dynamic
- Building on success
- Changing communities
- Together
- Building on a better South Derbyshire
- Working together

**LSP**

- Working together for a better South Derbyshire

**Principles**

- Together – inclusive
- Enabling – improving capacity
- Listening – consultation / communication
- Quality – reliability
- Sustainability
  - Environmental
  - Delivery
- Maximising opportunities

**Group Four**  
**Session Two**

**Better Place**

- Vibrant
- Better
- Quality
- Local
- Fairer
- Prosperous
- Inclusive
- Community
- People
- Happier
- Working
- Involved
- Safer



## SDLSP Board Visioning Event 28<sup>th</sup> January 2004

- Self empowering
- Future
- Present
  
- Vision of where we want to be
- Making South Derbyshire the 'place to be'
- South Derbyshire "the place to be"
- Our vision – South Derbyshire is the place to be!

or is your place to be!

or South Derbyshire is sponsored by JCB / Toyota / NEMA

### **Principles and Values**

Opportunity  
Ambition  
Inclusivity  
Sustainability  
Partnership  
Capacity  
Prosperity

To be for all  
To be forever  
To be dynamic  
To be innovative  
To be enabling  
To be joined up  
To be self empowering  
To be worth it!  
To be prosperous

Not to be East Staffs or NWLC

