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SUBJECT:	SRB6 AND DERBYSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL FUNDING APPLICATIONS	REF: SB/LJW
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	ALL	TERMS OF REFERENCE: CS07

1.0 Recommendations

- 1.1 Members agree to the District Council submitting funding applications for SRB6 for the identified projects.
- 1.2 Members accept the offer of funding from Derbyshire County Council for the mobile CCTV scheme.

2.0 Purpose of Report

- 2.1 To inform Members of proposed projects for which funding applications will be submitted to the SRB6 programme and seek their agreement for the Council to act as the applicant for funding towards these projects.
- 2.2 To request Members that a grant towards mobile CCTV be accepted from Derbyshire County Council.

3.0 Detail

- 3.1 The SRB6 Programme is now entering its third year of delivery and officers wish to continue the successful use of its funding to progress local projects.
- 3.2 The Programme covers the geographical areas of Newhall and Woodville and has previously funded a range of projects including:

Newhall Park and Woodville Recreation Ground lighting and fencing schemes
Burglary Reduction
Access to Youth
OPRA

3.3 For 2003/4 the following projects are being submitted:

HOME SECURITY PROJECT

A partnership between the Police, South Derbyshire Council for Voluntary Service and the Housing, Environmental Health and Community and Leisure Development Departments which will result in the development of a 'Care and Repair Service' which improves security of vulnerable people's homes through installation of alarms and lock replacement. It will also work on reducing home accidents through fitting of stairgates and smoke alarms.

The project will last two years and cost approximately £180,000 for which the application to SRB6 is for £10,000 towards the work in Newhall and Woodville.

SOUTH DERBYSHIRE SPORT

The newly established South Derbyshire Sport and Recreation Forum (South Derbyshire Sport) has developed an action plan of activities for the year which includes training on child protection issues, funding and first aid.

The request for £2,000 will support these activities.

BMX/SKATEBOARD PARK

The provision of BMX/skateboard park facilities on Woodhouse Recreation Ground has been developed as a partnership by the District Council, Police, Youth Service and local young people. The project will cost approximately £70,000, towards which the District is providing £60,000.

£5,000 is requested from the SRB6 programme.

ACCESS FOR YOUTH

The Access for Youth project team are requesting an additional sum of £13,880 as continuation funding to support the project for the period April to September 2003.

The project has continued beyond March 2003 in a limited form through People Express's Extend programme. However, the requested continuation funding would allow the project worker to properly devote time to developing a collaborative partnership looking at Arts development work with young people in the area. It is intended that this collaborative working would produce a strategy and programme that in turn would inform a bid to the Arts Council to secure the future of the Access for Youth project for a further 3 years.

At the same time the continuation funding would allow for further project work including a Graffiti Project at The Old Post Centre, Newhall, a Drugs Awareness Video with Springfield School, Newhall, a Music Project with the Youth Offending Team and work with Overseal Youth Group and the Pupil Referral Unit at Newhall.

MOBILE CCTV

3.4 In terms of an application that has already been successful, Members are asked to approve acceptance of the offer of £15,000 from Derbyshire County Council.

3.5 The grant is towards the purchase of mobile CCTV cameras for deployment across the district. The initial cameras to be purchased with the grant are for covert use. They will be located where there are persistent problems such as: fly tipping, abandoned vehicles, vandalism, drug dealing and vehicle crime and used to gather evidence for seeking convictions.

3.6 A protocol of use must be developed which covers Data Protection and Human Rights issues before the cameras will come into use.

4.0 Financial Implications

4.1 The projects identified above will be funded from partnership sources, the Crime and Disorder Partnership budget and the contribution of officer time.

4.2 The only resources required from the Council will be those already budgeted for and the time of the Community and Leisure Development Manager and his officers whose time can be used as matched funding against the grant aid applied for.

5.0 Corporate Implications

5.1 The proposed projects will contribute to all Council's objectives in particular the objective to 'promote the health and welfare of all sections of the community' by reducing criminal damage and anti social behaviour, improving the environment, reducing the community's fears of crime and developing activities in the sport and arts for young people.

6.0 Community Implications

6.1 The projects will support the community by developing partnerships at a local level which will lead to a reduction in crime and anti social behaviour, improve the environment and provide young people with their own facilities and meeting places.

7.0 Conclusions

7.1 The proposed projects are designed to reduce the crime and disorder which has been prioritised in the 2002-05 strategy.

7.2 If successful the projects will attract significant funding from external sources in return for no direct increase in spending by the District Council.

7.3 The projects will be delivered by a variety of partnerships which will pull together statutory agencies such as the Police, Youth Service and Parish Councils as well as voluntary bodies including the Council for voluntary Services, South Derbyshire Sport and People Express.

8.0 Background Papers

8.1 Crime and Disorder Files CD1-10.

