

South Derbyshire Partnership

Report to the Board

Date of meeting: 23rd May 2012

Agenda Item: 6

SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY STRATEGY MONITORING REPORT 2011-2012 **(Year End)**

1.0 Recommendations

1.1 That the Board:

- (a) Note the Partnerships key achievements and performance for the year ending 31st March 2012.

2.0 Purpose of Report

2.1 To report details of performance for the year ending 31st March 2012, in relation to the

- o Sustainable Community Strategy Action Plan – Appendix 1

3.0 Detail

Key Achievements during the year (p.e. 31st March, 2012)

- 3.1 The high level of performance and improvements detailed in this report has delivered a range of outcomes for local communities.
- 3.2 The key achievements during the first quarter for each of the key theme groups are:

Theme 1: Sustainable Development

Burton-Swadlincote-Utttoxeter Business Awards concluded, with an awards ceremony featuring numerous winners from the area.

'South Derbyshire Day' promotional event held with Derby County Football Club on 9 April 2011 was very successful in promoting the District.

Survive & Prosper – a specialist event to assist the development and growth of voluntary sector and social enterprise groups in the District 'third sector'. 62 delegates attended.

Green audits undertaken with businesses to help reduce their environmental impact and cut utility and waste costs.

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Research undertaken exploring the South Derbyshire workforce implications of public sector cutbacks.

'Careers & Jobs Fair' held at Swadlincote Town Hall attracted over 500 people.

Well-attended 'Planning for Growth' business breakfast staged at Sharpe's Pottery Museum.

150 trees planted alongside main roads

Successful 'Expert Clinic for Manufacturing & Support Industries' held at Sharpe's Pottery Museum.

Employment Challenge - Burton and South Derbyshire Event to co-ordinate self employment, business start up, SME growth, apprenticeships and work and learning opportunities. Several events all badged to create maximum media interest and appeal.

'Thinking of starting a business' seminar at Sharpes Pottery Museum - 24 February 2012 – 30 delegates

Breakfast meeting at Ski Centre – 8th March 2012 – 59 businesses and agencies attended.

Theme 2: Vibrant Communities

Environmental Education Team have completed a national project for the Woodland Trust (between April and November). We have written their education programme for the Jubilee. This will be delivered across the UK between now and the end of 2013, and brings great publicity for South Derbyshire.

Environmental Forum - The first training day was held at Calke Abbey in May to demonstrate/teach biodiversity skills (identification, monitoring). 26 people from 15 different organisations attended.

Volunteers Week - the Derbyshire Childrens Trust Flagship Scheme the VCI Passport was launched for South Derbyshire. Aimed at volunteers who work with children and young people it's a course that consists of 5 basic sessions covering safeguarding, equality, consultation, first aid and health and safety.

Volunteer Christmas thank you event, attended by 68 volunteers representing 18 organisations and supporting over 22 different schemes that support the community across South Derbyshire.

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Programme of events with Olympic and Paralympic themes organised and delivery started. .

Village Games - The village games officer worked in a wide range of villages. Ongoing projects include the Willington Young Peoples Project, Tai Chi in Barrow, several jogging groups and planning to work with villages engaged to run an intra village mini Olympic competitions. Working with local clubs such as Hartshorne Cricket Club to develop street cricket programmes is offering more options linked to clubs as well in the District.

The Glade summer 2011 programme offered a variety of events, including *Much Ado About Nothing*, *Pinocchio*, *Last Night of the Proms* and a successful 'Breath of Fresh Air' 3 day-weekend filled with free taster sessions and activities. A total of 1587 participants were attracted to the performances.

Theme 3: Safer Communities

Granville Safe Project - A Granville School pilot project whereby young people who are at risk of being excluded from mainstream education, attended Woodville Youth Centre on school days to receive lessons in a differently structured environment.

22 local projects funded through the Safer Neighbourhood funding stream

70 burglary and domestic violence victims received increased security through the Sanctuary/Handyman Scheme

Funding secured for Melbourne CCTV System

Seminar for off Licences - On 29 June the South Derbyshire VAL (Violence, Alcohol and Licensing Group) held a seminar for local off licences at the Civic Offices. 15 local off licensees were represented and listened to presentations from the Police, District Council licensing team, Trading Standards, Health and Safety, Breakout (Alcohol Advice service for Teenagers) and other agencies.

December 2011 - Multi Agency Partnership Project took place, whereby door to door visits were made to every household in Castle Gresley. After a spate of burglaries in the area Police and PCSO's teamed up with Partnership staff, Neighbourhood Wardens, Local Councillors and CVS Safer Homes to visit residents in pairs and offer them a free Selecta DNA property marking kit. Practical demonstrations were given and questionnaires were asked while at the property. The scheme saw over 270 properties take advantage of the free kits which was well over half the households in the village.

Copies of Photo ID albums of prolific Swadlincote Shop lifters have been distributed amongst local shops in Swadlincote Town Centre. The Books which

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were suggested through the Swadlincote Business Watch meeting were produced by the Police and have been provided to shops distributed around the Town Centre.

A Drink Drive Campaign ran in the district in the build up to Christmas. Hard-hitting posters were placed in drinking establishments across the district warning of the consequences of being caught over the limit. To offer an incentive, the Partnerships Swadlincote Pubwatch Scheme members agreed to offer free soft drinks to those taking responsibility. Fifteen venues in and around the Town Centre, Newhall and Woodville signed up to the initiative. The soft drink campaign ran from December 1 to January 2.

Theme 4: Healthier Communities

Healthy Lifestyle Hubs - April saw the introduction of new Healthy Lifestyle HUB's at both Green Bank and Etwall Leisure Centres. The Hubs are a development of the previous New to Exercise (GP Referral Scheme) into a more robust exercise referral scheme that offers a wider offer to the patient. Introduction of the Hubs has seen a rapid level of change for our Leisure Centre Instructors, particularly with the integration of Waist Wise into the Leisure Centre settings.

Dance in the Forest - In June, almost 30 dance and community groups put their best foot forward at the first ever Dance in The Forest extravaganza held in the wonderful outdoor arena setting of the Glade at Rosliston Forestry Centre. 300 young people took part in the event, many of whom were girls who don't usually engage in physical activity.

Choosing Health Funding Allocations - Almost £49,000 of Choosing Health funding has been allocated to a wide range of projects and initiatives that promote health in South Derbyshire. This year the fund has been particularly successful in attracting a wide diversity of projects, from a varied range of target communities. Some of the examples include:-

An affordable shopping scheme for elderly and disabled people. Also emergency shopping cover for people being discharged from hospital.

Support for victims of Domestic Abuse to 'Move Forward' into a new healthy lifestyle via a creative 6 session project.

Support for district wide Olympic and Paralympics events.

A project to improve links between the learning disability community and service planning, by developing the learning disability forum.

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Training for up to 15 volunteers to deliver evidence based chair based exercise classes particularly in rural communities.

Support for the 'Breastfeeding Welcome Here' award in South Derbyshire

'The Districts 'Breastfeeding Welcome Here' award continues to go from strength to strength with promoting the Breastfeeding Welcome Here award becoming an integral part of Food Inspection visits.

Calendar of events produced by Workplace and Housing Champions

6 new Nordic Walking instructors. New groups in Green Bank, Etwall, and Rosliston (Sunday) and (Evenings)

Get Active in the Forest participations – Over 15200 participations and funding from partners to extend project for further 12 months

Next Healthier South Derbyshire Event is planned for 12th May – Etwall Leisure Centre

Theme 5: Children and Young People

Sports & Leisure Mentoring Scheme - Through the ASB tasking group and using money obtained through BE SAFE, a one to one sports and leisure-mentoring scheme has been set up within the district. The School Sports Partnership ran 6 x weekly sessions for 20 pupils within the John Port catchments area and 20 pupils around the urban core area. The pupils were those that are offending or at risk of offending and those who at risk of being excluded from school. Referrals onto the scheme were made by the ASB officer, Police Youth Involvement officer, YISP & FIP workers and MAT Managers. The scheme aimed to improve behaviour and attendance in school, reduce ASB and improve health outcomes.

Development of Multi Agency Teams has led to a range of early support packages for Children, Young People and Families in South Derbyshire; preventing cases escalating to potential Child Protection procedures.

Street Based Youth Work & Sports targeted around Hilton and Willington areas, parenting support and education support in school, has led to a reduction in ASB within those communities.

Disability Shout Forum, Thursday night youth provision for teenagers with disabilities

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- 3.3 The Sustainable Community Strategy Action Plan, which is divided into five themes is performing as follows: - 39 actions (95%) have been 'achieved' and 2 actions have failed (5%).

Theme	'Achieved'	'Failure'	Total
Sustainable Development	10		10
Vibrant Communities	11		11
Safer Communities	5		5
Healthier Communities	10	2	12
Children & Young People	3		3
Total	39 (95%)	2 (5%)	41 (100%)

4.0 Recommendation

- 4.1 It is recommended that the Board Members note the contents of the monitoring report.

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