South Derbyshire Local Strategic Partnership

Board meeting 18 March 2004

Agenda Item 6

Community Strategy - Programme

An outline programme has been prepared to 'map out' what needs to be done to meet the target of having an agreed Community Strategy in place by the end of December. A copy is attached at Annexe A.

With agreement on the Vision and Themes, we can now move to Stage 2 - development of the Themes (in terms of the issues that will need to be addressed in the Strategy and along with objectives). This work will be supported by the collection of information about 'quality of life' in South Derbyshire (using a suite of indicators developed by the Audit Commission), data from the 2001 Census and findings from earlier programmes of consultation.

This stage will need to be substantially completed by the end of April and help will be required from all partners in collecting data and contributing to discussion about issues and objectives etc.

It is proposed to hold a series of 'working groups' to explore each of the themes in more detail. The expectation is that partners would attend for themes which relate directly to the work of their own organisation (e.g. the PCT for the 'Healthy Communities theme), although meeting would be open to all partners who wished to contribute to the discussions.

Similar arrangements are also planned for Stage 3 (although clearly there will be some overlap with the pervious stage).

If this proposal is acceptable to the Board, the work and the arrangements will be coordinated by the District Council. The aim is to present a first draft of the Community Strategy to the May meeting of the Board.

The development of the Strategy will be informed by consultation with local people and other stakeholders. A report of the work of the Consultation is Item 7 on this agenda.

The views of the Board are requested.

ANNEXE A

SOUTH DERBYSHIRE COMMUNITY STRATEGY PROGRAMME

