REPORT TO:

Housing and Community Services

Committee

AGENDA ITEM:

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SUBJECT:

Anti-social Behaviour Strategy

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1.0 Recommendations

1.1 Members to accept and adopt the Council's Anti-social Behaviour Strategy for 2005/08.

2.0 Purpose of Report

2.1 To inform Members of the Anti-social Behaviour Strategy 2005/08 and to seek their acceptance of that Strategy.

3.0 Detail

3.1 Background

The Leisure and Community Development Department's Service Plan for 2004/07 contained an action to develop and publish an anti-social behaviour strategy for South Derbyshire. This Strategy provides a structure for the work of the Council that needs to be carried out at a local level to tackle this issue. The actions within it will contribute to the work of the Safer South Derbyshire Partnership in reducing antisocial behaviour across the District.

3.2 Contents

The Strategy provides a definition and also outlines the types of behaviour which could be classed as anti-social. It sets out the following objectives:

- To work with, and in communities to reduce anti-social behaviour
- To use legislation, where appropriate to tackle anti-social behaviour
- To gather and share data on anti-social behaviour to identify problem locations.

The Strategy also outlines a series of targets which will provide a means of performance managing the work which is planned. It is based around the following 5 kev areas:

- Information Gathering & Data Sharing
- Prevention

- Working with and in communities
- Enforcement
- Resettlement

3.2 Action Plan

A plan containing 25 actions has been developed to deliver the Council's Anti-social Behaviour Strategy. Each action fits within one of the above listed key areas, has a nominated lead officer and a timescale for completion. Progress on these actions will be monitored by the Safer South Derbyshire Partnership's Support Team and reported on via the Members Bulletin.

3.3 Consultation

A consultation draft of the Strategy was circulated to all District Councillors, Parish Councils and Divisional Managers in December 2004 for comments. In July/August 2005, a revised draft was forwarded to Divisional Managers for action plan inputs. A final draft was re-circulated in early October 2005 to those with responsibility for actions and District Councillors who had provided comments.

4.0 Financial Implications

- 4.1 The Safer South Derbyshire Partnership already has a budget available for tackling crime and anti-social behaviour, which is held by the authority. This includes a contribution from the Council which will be used to deliver the actions within the Strategy.
- 4.2 Applications for external funding to cover specific projects within the overall Strategy will be submitted as and when necessary.

5.0 Corporate Implications

5.1 The publication and delivery of the Strategy will contribute to achieving many of the Councils objectives contained within the Corporate Plan. It will also ensure that the Council provides a more comprehensive service to the local community.

6.0 Community Implications

6.1 The Strategy will help to address anti-social behaviour throughout the District. The Council has established an action plan for the next three years. Some of the actions will involve the local community by encouraging them to report incidents, provide evidence and support preventative work.

7.0 Conclusions

7.1 The work of the Council has already contributed to the management and reduction of anti-social behaviour in South Derbyshire. This Strategy and the actions within it will ensure that this work continues, taking into account new legislation and best practice.

8.0 Background Papers

- 8.1 Leisure & Community Development Service Plan 2005/08
- 8.2 Crime and Disorder Files CD1 16.