REPORT TO:

FINANCE AND MANAGEMENT

COMMITTEE

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MEETING:

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SUBJECT:

LOCAL STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP -

REF:

DRAFT CONSTITUTION

WARD(S) AFFECTED:

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REFERENCE: FM14

1.0 Recommendations

1.1 That the draft constitution for the proposed South Derbyshire Local Strategic Partnership (SDLSP) be received.

1.2 That a report be tabled at the Council meeting in August so that this Council's comments on the draft constitution can be agreed and conveyed to the first Annual General Meeting of the SDLSP in the autumn.

2.0 Purpose of Report

2.1 The purpose of this report is to receive the draft constitution for the proposed South Derbyshire Local Strategic Partnership.

3.0 Detail

- 3.1 The Local Government Act 2000 gives the Council new powers to promote or improve the economic, social or environmental well being of the area. This is linked to the duty to prepare a community strategy, which has to be prepared and implemented by a broad 'local strategic partnership' of public, private and voluntary sector organisations
- 3.2 Last October a meeting of key stakeholders facilitated by INLOGOV agreed to establish a Business Planning Group to address some of the issues around forming a Local Strategic Partnership. The Group has met monthly since January and has made a series of recommendations which are to be put to a Forum Event on 11th June 2003, again facilitated by INLOGOV.
- 3.3 The Forum Event is seen as the prime opportunity to agree in principle the establishment of the SDLSP and commence the consultation process leading to its formal establishment at a proposed Annual General Meeting in September/October.
- 3.4 Key recommendations include the establishment of a Shadow Board and agreement to a draft Constitution. A copy of the draft constitution is appended as Annexe A. Approval of the Groups recommendations will allow progress to be made on commencing the community strategy
- 3.5 The draft constitution endeavours to set out the aims, objectives and values for the LSP. It goes on to suggest a structure and management operation by a Shadow Board and lays

- down their functions and responsibilities, along with setting out voting rights, financial matters, declarations of interests and so forth.
- 3.6 The Council will have four nominees to the Shadow Board. These were agreed at full Council on 15th May and include the Chief Executive and Leader of the Council. Councillors Wheeler and Wilkins are the other nominees.

4.0 Financial Implications

4.1 There will be some costs associated with establishing the LSP for which a service level proposal was agree last year.