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Date of meeting: 8 October 2010

Agenda Item: 14

SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY STRATEGY MONITORING REPORT 2010-20011(Qtr 1)

1.0 <u>Recommendations</u>

- 1.1 That the Board:
 - (a) Note the Partnerships key achievements and performance for the quarter ending 30th June 2010.
 - (b) Review where performance has failed to achieve the specified target and consider the adequacy of responses.
 - (c) Note that performance as outlined in the attached Appendix 1

2.0 Purpose of Report

- 2.1 To report details of performance for the quarter ending 30th June, 2010, in relation to the
 - Sustainable Community Strategy Action Plan Appendix 1

3.0 <u>Detail</u>

Key Achievements during the previous quarter (p.e. 30th June, 2010)

- 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 two quarters for each of the key theme groups are:

Theme 1: Sustainable Development

- Recruitment initiative undertaken with Sainsbury's extended Swadlincote store providing pre-employment training and culminating in a guaranteed job interview.
- Business breakfast for the Food and Drink sector and related support industries held to raise awareness of advice and support available, which attracted 83 attendees.
- Business workshop held at Rosliston Forestry Centre to help companies develop skills in 'Customer Engagement and Retention'

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Theme 2: Vibrant Communities

- The Volunteer Week Celebration Event held at Rosliston Forestry Centre supported by SDDC, Neighborhood Watch, Volunteer Centre and Lincote Centre and Vinvolve. Over 60 volunteers attended a celebration event as a thank you for their work as volunteers through the year. Bingo, Beetle Drive, a quiz, Birds of Prey display, skipping and chess and a lovely lunch with a volunteer week cake were enjoyed by all.
- National Forest Walking Festival. Another successful year for this partnership project. This year's festival had 46 walks with something for everyone, from pushchair walks to 'Nordic' walking and Pub Walks. The festival attracted 1139 participations this year, and brought together a wide range of Voluntary and Local Authority organisations. A celebration event was held after the Festival to thank the volunteers involved.
- Environmental Forum. A wide range of programmes published for parish councils and community groups (Forum Programme);

Theme 3: Safer Communities

Goseley Youth Liberation Day to engage young people and their parents with organised activities with local agencies was held in April

- Designated YISP worker commenced in South Derbyshire to work with young people aged 8 -15 who are committing low level anti social behaviour and are at risk of offending
- New Next Step Website launched providing better information on local services for victims of domestic abuse around South Derbyshire

Theme 4: Healthier Communities

Launch of South Derbyshire "Breastfeeding Welcome Here" Award during this year's national Breastfeeding awareness week June 21st - 27th. This has been an innovative piece of partnership working with local mums and families, children centre staff and health visitors. It was supported by NHS Derbyshire County and South Derbyshire District Council Healthy Lifestyle Officer. Encouraging breastfeeding supports both mum and baby and is supported by an evidence base linking breastfeeding to obesity prevention

This project adds value to current work to promote healthy lifestyles to minimise and prevent obesity. It aims to offer an improved choice to mums and their babies to be able to breastfeed in a welcoming environment. The project is working with the hospitality sector across the district and has already awarded one award to The Hub café at Rosliston, and is working with 4 additional businesses.

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To help launch the award, partners were showcased on ITV Central news. The Award is targeted towards businesses open to the public such as restaurants, shops, pubs and hairdressers. By signing up to the initiative and its' breastfeeding friendly criteria, businesses will be given a certificate and resources to display and will also be added to the 'Breastfeeding Welcome Here' directory available to all new mums in the area.

- Re-establishing Community Support Referral Scheme South Derbyshire CVS have been working hard to re-establish the above scheme. This scheme aims to ensure effective support to people, with particular focus on the most vulnerable. The scheme is developing through closer working between primary care and the voluntary sector to ensure the wider needs of patients are met effectively. This quarter SD CVS begun working with Swadlincote Surgery, Darklands Road to re-establish a referral mechanism which would be effective for all. This quarter a member of CVS has attended GP meetings at the surgery and discussions with the practice manager to re-establish an effective referral pathway. Learning from the developments, the community support service would "roll out" across the district in a similar way in all other surgeries. In the long term it is hoped that the current Health Champion project locally can support this programme.
- Small Grants Scheme. This is going from strength to strength. This quarter has seen £3150 spent to support local projects e.g. Unique group, Arthritis Care Together, Swift, P3 and the Reynaud support group. Each of these projects work with local vulnerable people due to mental ill-health, physical disability, low income and social isolation. The overriding emphasis across these projects has been to support and improve mental wellbeing with individuals and families through various activities including volunteering activity

Theme 5: Children and Young People

- Fun Days planned for disabled young people 24th August & 23rd September – all activities are designed to be assessable for young people with disabilities
- Youth Information Shop / Connexions the combination of services has doubled the number of young people using the Centre
- Partnership delivery of successful Summer Programme produced record attendances
- 3.3 The Sustainable Community Strategy Action Plan, which is divided into five themes is performing as follows:. 47 actions (90%) have been 'achieved' and /or 'on target.' 5 actions (10%) are 'at risk' (of these one action has yet to be commenced).

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Theme	'Achieved' / 'On Targeł'	'At Risk'	'Probable Failure'	Total
Sustainable Development	8	0		8
Vibrant Communities	16	2		18
Safer Communities	5	2		7
Healthier Communities	14			14
Children & Young People	4	1		5
Total	47 (90%)	5 (10%)	(0%)	52 (100%)

4.0 <u>Recommendation</u>

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

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