

Committee:	Executive	Agenda Item No.:	9
Date:	15 th June 2009	Status	Open
Category:			
Subject:	Community Voluntary Partners – Empowering the Community and Voluntary Sector in Bolsover District Service Level Agreement – Annual Report 2008/09		
Report by:	Lorna Wallace – Manager Community Voluntary Partners		
Other Officers involved:	Chief Executive’s and Partnership Manager Chief Executive Officer		
Director	Chief Executive Officer		
Relevant Portfolio Holder	Leader of the Council Deputy Leader of the Council		

RELEVANT CORPORATE AIMS

COMMUNITY SAFETY – Ensuring that communities are safe and secure.

CUSTOMER FOCUSED SERVICES – Providing excellent customer focused services.

ENVIRONMENT – Promoting and enhancing a clear and sustainable environment.

Regeneration – Developing healthy, prosperous and sustainable communities.

SOCIAL INCLUSION – Promoting fairness, equality and lifelong learning.

STRATEGIC ORGANISATIONAL DEVELOPMENT – Continually improving our organisation.

Working in partnership assists in delivering all aspects of the Council’s corporate aims and links to the Sustainable Community Strategy priorities for Bolsover district.

Community engagement and participation in delivering quality services is crucial to ensuring our local communities are involved and empowered to effect change.

TARGETS

Contributing to Social Inclusion – ‘to ensure all our services are provided in a fair and equitable manner - ‘Through the ‘Young Voice’ Project identify and deliver young peoples priorities by March 2009.

VALUE FOR MONEY

Investing in the third sector infrastructure organisation for the District ensures an organised and co-ordinated approach to representation and engagement with the Community and Voluntary Sector.

THE REPORT

In the Authority's drive to improve the relationship and involvement of the third sector and in supporting the official Community Voluntary Sector for the District, a Service Level Agreement was entered into with Community Voluntary Partners as the Infrastructure Organisation for the third sector in the Bolsover District.

The Authority was awarded funding in 2008 for Community Cohesion work and therefore chose to support Community Voluntary Partners for three years (2008-2011) to be reviewed annually.

2008/09 = £25,000

2009/10 = £30,000

2010/11 = £35,000

Current Position

Attached is the first Annual Monitoring Report received from Community Voluntary Partners which highlights areas of development and achievements to date.

Lorna Wallace, the Manager of Community Voluntary Partners will undertake a presentation to Executive.

ISSUES FOR CONSIDERATION

To acknowledge the good work being done in the District and to recognise the importance of involving the third sector in the Authority's decision making process.

To approve the release of funding for the year 2009/10.

IMPLICATIONS

Financial : £30,000 Community Cohesion funding – Area Based Grant

Legal : None

Human Resources : None

RECOMMENDATIONS that (1) the report be received,

**(2) Executive approve the release of the
2009/10 funding to Community and Voluntary
Partners as per the Service Level Agreement.**

**REASON FOR DECISION TO BE GIVEN IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE
CONSTITUTION**

To provide an update on the relationship and involvement of the Authority in supporting the official Community Voluntary Sector for the District.

ATTACHMENT: Y
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