

QUARTERLY MONITORING REPORT ON THE SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY STRATEGY 2008-2018 WORK PROGRAMME (Q1)

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Papers with report	Appendix A - Sustainable Community Strategy Work Programme

HEADLINE INFORMATION

Purpose of report	To provide cabinet with a corporate overview of the progress made by officers and partners in implementing the Sustainable Community Strategy agreed by full council in September 2008.
Contribution to our plans and strategies	Contribution towards the implementation of the Sustainable Community Strategy
Financial Cost	Financial costs for the Sustainable Community Strategy are being met within existing resources by aligning service priorities across the Council and its partners, and additional external funding is being sought in several areas to enhance delivery against the strategy's priorities.
Relevant Policy Overview Committee	Corporate Services and Partnerships
Ward(s) affected	All

RECOMMENDATION

That Cabinet:

1. Notes the progress made to date on the tasks identified to deliver the Sustainable Community Strategy;
2. Identifies any areas where Cabinet wishes further efforts to be made to achieve the objectives.

INFORMATION

This report sets out the progress made by officers in implementing the Sustainable Community Strategy across the Local Strategic Partnership.

Reasons for recommendation

Cabinet agreed that the Sustainable Community Strategy should be monitored regularly.

Alternative options considered / risk management

Cabinet may choose to instruct officers to take further action or not.

Comments of Policy Overview Committee(s)

Specific Policy Overview Committee involvement has been referred to in the work programme circulated separately, where appropriate.

Supporting Information

1. Progress in implementing the work programme is regularly updated and monitored by officers. The complete Sustainable Community Strategy work programme can be found in appendix A. 99.3% of the tasks being implemented to deliver the commitments made within the strategy have been completed or are on track to be completed within the timescales identified.

	Green – Completed	Green – On Track	Amber – Some Slippage	Red – Serious Slippage	Total
Number	1	139	1	0	141
Percentage	0.7%	98.6%	0.7%	0%	100%

2. The task which is currently recorded as showing 'some slippage' relates to the reducing anti social behaviour and nuisance behaviour and closing identified cases with the problem either partially or completed removed. Currently performance is 4% below the target of 80%. The Community Safety Team are currently verifying systems and processes to ensure correct closure data is being issued and identify any recurring issues that will be resolved over Q2.

Financial Implications

3. The financial implications of the Sustainable Community Strategy targets are being met within existing resources by aligning directorate and partner organisations service priorities, and enhanced by bidding for external funding, which in several areas has already been successful in delivering additional resources towards the strategy's priorities.

EFFECT ON RESIDENTS, SERVICE USERS & COMMUNITIES

What will be the effect of the recommendation?

4. The recommendations will allow officers to monitor progress on a quarterly basis for the Sustainable Community Strategy to ensure the priorities are being delivered across the partnership.

Consultation Carried Out or Required

5. The Sustainable Community Strategy was widely consulted on amongst key stakeholders. Specific task focussed consultations carried out have been referred to in the work programme where appropriate.

CORPORATE IMPLICATIONS

Corporate Finance

Corporate finance has reviewed the report and is satisfied that the financial implications reflect the resource implications for the Council and its partners.

Legal

There are no significant legal implications arising out of this report

BACKGROUND PAPERS

Appendix A – Sustainable Community Strategy Work Programme 2009/10