



## AGENDA ITEM NO.5

### Avonmouth and Kingsweston Neighbourhood Partnership

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#### Report Title: Neighbourhood Partnership 2012 Achievements Report

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#### Project 1 - Avonmouth Work Club

To support the development of the Avonmouth Work Club – this club has attracted over 80 people in the past 3 months, totalling over 250 visits. The work has included IT training to assist clients to use the new Jobcentre Plus online services (which will soon be mandatory). The club is run by two very committed volunteers, and links have been made with Severn Net to influence the transport and employment agenda .

NP Action Plan Aim: Community engagement and capacity building  
Opportunities for employment and training

Resources used: £500 Well Being, £1500 Community first, Learning Communities Team also funded IT training

Additional benefits included: liaison with unemployed people and the business of Avonmouth, including careers fair and specialist drop in events,  
Equalities aims addressed: Narrowing the gaps, fostering good relations and eliminating discrimination



## **Project 2 – The Yellow Brick Rd Project (s)**

This is a partnership project between Shirehampton Community Action Forum, Wild City Team and the NP. Over the past year Wild City have funded a programme of nature and history events along the Yellow Brick Road on the Lamplighters Marsh. Working with residents the team has carried out an accessibility audit and the NP has funded improvements including new bins, info boards, seating and a willow structure. The project is leading up to the Wild City Event, which will be held on the 22<sup>nd</sup> June and include input from all schools in the NP area.

NP Action Plan Aim: Community engagement and capacity building

Resources used: £12,672.88 made up of funding from S106, and both the local and the City Clean and Green budgets. In addition to this a further £2000 from Extended Schools Partnership, and £500 from the Well-being fund to enable all the local schools to take part in activities

Additional benefits included: Provision for young people, community engagement and capacity building

Equalities aims addressed: eliminate discrimination, and narrow the gaps between equality groups and others

## **Project 3 – Lawrence Weston Community Plan.**

This project employed the Community Plan Coordinator to build local capacity, deliver the community plan and fundraise for the future.

NP Action Plan Aim: Community engagement and capacity building

Resources used: £5000 Well Being Fund, £13,000 Public Health, £14500 BCC and £2000 quartet

Additional benefits included: Formation of the Lawrence Weston Planning group and the designation of the area as a Neighbourhood Planning area (to date the concept statement is out for consultation), incorporation of Ambition Lawrence Weston a new development trust which will lead the delivery of the community plan and start the process for finding the priorities for the £1million Big Local funding. Two editions of “on your doorstep” a new local newsletter, formation of the Henacre Play Flat group and a further £15000 funds raised for Ambition Lawrence Weston and the delivery of several small well-being projects.

Equalities aims addressed: foster good relations; narrow the gaps between equality groups and others



## **Project 4 – BMX Summer Event**

This fantastic event took place on the 18<sup>th</sup> August 2012. Over 500 people attended including. Activities included BMX racing, stalls, activities for children, bouncy castles, face painting and a BBQ. The event was also used as a way to consult for both the Community First Priorities and the Henacre resident's survey

NP Action Plan Aim: Celebrating diversity and community cohesion. Provision for Young people

Resources used: £500 Well-being and £500 Community First funding

Additional benefits included: partnership working between the community and BCC to achieve a fantastic day, the survey results have also influenced the opportunity to build a new park in Henacre. Residents also wanted to bring the community flat back into action and it has since been repaired and further funding found to develop a residents group to manage the flat.

Equalities aims addressed: This project really brought the community together including a large amount of residents from the Eastern European Community.



## **Project 5 - Youth forum bill board campaign for reduced bus fares for young people**

This project was supported by Bread Youth Project and ITV Fixes who helped the North 1 Youth Forum to deliver their reduce bus fares campaign

NP Action Plan Aim: Community engagement and capacity building, and activities for young people

Resources used: staff time, and £200 from Destination Bristol

Equalities aims addressed: foster good relations; narrow the gaps between equality groups and others



## Summary of some other projects

These projects are just a taste of the added value that the Neighbourhood Partnership has had for Avonmouth and Kingsweston. Other projects that the Neighbourhood Partnership has been working on are:

- Working with Avonmouth Residents to agree a community plan and priorities for the Community First Funding (£33000 over 4 years, £14000 already allocated)
- Organising and delivering a morning visit to the area for the Mayor and following up resident and stakeholder requests to get positive results.
- Part funding the Our Glass House presentation, which offered a week of performances in a local house to make people aware of the issues that people living with domestic abuse face -
- Working with the North 1 Youth Forum to assist them to address their issues including securing a bill board for their transport campaign
- Visits to pre school sessions across the area to ensure young parents have a voice
- Working with Severn Net to bring the businesses of Avon and Severn Side closer to the residents, key outcomes have been the Port of Bristol funding the Avonmouth Party in the Park last year, Nesbit's action week decorating the Avonmouth Community Centre and providing storage space for the LW Food Bank and working in partnership to submit a Coastal Communities Bid.
- Working with Ambition Lawrence Weston to assist the community plan and help with their development
- Funded the new Shire Xmas Lights
- Visits to luncheon clubs/older people's sessions to pick up their issues and comments and help with funding applications
- Work with organisations who are interested in the future management of the Longcross Youth Centre
- Working with BCC and the LW Planning Group, the wider community to work up a development brief for the College Site including the retail impact survey
- Taking part in consultations and fun days across the area