














Area Committee Community Renewal Plan – North Dudley

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Priorities	Where/ localities/ neighbourhoods	Actions/activities	Partners included – (lead in bold)	Timescale & review date	Success factors	Prog ress	Indicato rs	
Environment Matters/ Environmentally aware communities	Upper Gornal – Valley Road	Clearing overgrown bushes and re-seeding area. Provision of litter bin Regular litter picks by Greencare and residents group	ACRO Greencare – John Bailey Residents group Waste Management	Nov 07 - May/June 08 Feb 09	Cleaner environment. Safer environment Improved entrance to the estate		N192 N20 LPSA2	
	Programmed to be carried out last week in Feb or first week in March.							
	North Dudley	Ensuring, in partnership with Green care, Housing Services, Green Spaces and Street Care that maintenance standards in parks, green spaces and on the street meet the aspirations of local communities and increase their understanding of what can and cannot be done within current contracts.	ACRO Green care Housing Services Street care Green spaces Youth Offending Service	ongoing	Community involvement and pride in their environment. Greater understanding by the community of issues affecting their environment. Cleaner environment e.g. prompt removal of graffiti and litter,		N1, N7 N192 N17	
Ongoing dialogue with services working together with community groups. North Dudley Community Renewal partnership will monitor environmental conditions.								
Young People Matter /Stronger Communities	Lower Gornal	Positive Activities for Young People (PAYP) – boxing club, mechanics course, Fairplay project, youth shelter	Area Team Leader, Youth Service ACRO Connexions Zoar Church West Bromwich Albion Barnardos	Jan – April 2009	Number of young people engaging in positive, healthy activities. Sustainable outcomes for young people		N1,N20 N17N69 N115 N39,N8 N120 LPSA2	
	5 engaged with mechanics sessions -2 sessions cancelled due to bad weather. 5 attending boxing sessions. Between 15 and 25 attending Fairplay (football and dance). Youth shelter not being progressed at this time due to increase ASB in Lower Gornal							
	North Dudley	Member of the Dudley Play Partnership working group. Implementation of the Play Strategy. Delivery of projects. Monitoring	Children's Services Dudley Council for Voluntary Services Youth Service ACRO Community groups	2006 ongoing	Engagement of young children in positive play. Installation of new play areas in Lower Gornal, Sedgley and Hurst Hill by April 09.		N1,N39, N7,N17 N115 N69 N116	




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Young People Matter /Stronger Communities	A further 2 play areas have been included in the Play pathfinder programme - Valley Road and Sedgley Hall Farm Park. Work will be carried out on these within the next 2 years. Silver Jubilee, Clayton and Vale Street parks are on the reserve lists.						
	Coseley	Redevelopment of the site currently occupied by Coseley Youth Centre for an Extra Care village. New site to be identified for a youth centre and building to be erected.	DACHS – Housing Strategy (Project lead). Youth Service ACRO	Early 2009 - October 2009	Involvement of the community in the whole process. New youth centre.		N154 N155 N159 N7 N139 N69
	Consultation has been carried out with young people who have indicated their choice of site is Clayton park. Negotiations still taking place regarding the size of the building.						
Healthy Communities /Care Matters	North Dudley	High levels of teenage pregnancy. Partnership work/activities with Teenage Pregnancy & Sexual Health Co-ordinator. Sex & relationships education in a number of settings including schools, youth centres	Youth Service – Teenage Pregnancy and Sexual Health Co-ordinator ACRO Youth service	Not yet agreed	Reduction in numbers of teenage pregnancies. Greater awareness for young people of sexual health and lifestyle options.		N116 LPSA2
	Upper and Lower Gornal Coseley and Woodsetton	Social Responsibility Scheme Off Licensees interviews and protocol. Monitoring visits to off licences by project team Health promotion campaign/ raising awareness – leaflets in off licences. (see Community Safety below) Police and Trading Standard operations to take place at premises suspected of selling alcohol to young people. Referrals to Family Alcohol worker.	WM Police ACRO Trading Standards Licensing Health Promotion Team Off Licensees Aquarius	Nov 2007- Feb 08 April 08 May 08 Dec – Feb 2009	Greater awareness of the effects (short, medium and long terms) of alcohol. Reduction in binge drinking and the effects to health and the community. Serve wise training -9 off licence staff trained by Aquarius 2 young people in the Gornal area referred to the Family Alcohol Worker.		LPSA2 N39 N17 N192 N116 N115

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Healthy Communities /Care Matters	Further visits to off licences during February. 11 in the Coseley and Woodsetton area have signed up to the protocol a further 5 not yet signed up. 2 referrals to the Family Alcohol worker.						
	Coseley/ Wallbrook	“Let’s GO outside” – Healthy Community Challenge Fund. Steering group to be established to work on a pilot area. Collection of data, family “hub” to be identified. Local delivery partnership to be established.	Dudley Healthy Towns Partnership – Dean Hill ACRO Dudley community Partnership Dudley Children’s Trust PCT	Jan 2009	Pilot project developed. Local delivery partnership established.		
	Meeting with Dean Hill to discuss options for a pilot in North Dudley will take place on 9 March						
	North Dudley	Identify new participants for intergenerational course. Programme of courses include growing food, history of World War II. History talks in High Arcal School and Coseley School. Apply for external funding to complement Family and Adult Learning funding.	Community Learning Co-ord. Extended Schools Manager ACRO High Arcal School Coseley School Coseley Community Education Network	Feb/March 09	Numbers of attendees. Progression routes into Get Cooking and Family Learning/Intergenerational project. 10 completed initial course.		
10 participants completed the initial cookery course and will be joining a course at Coseley School to further their skills. Development of an intergenerational programme currently being undertaken to include growing food, cooking, dance and history etc. from World War II.							
Regeneration Matters / Wealthy Communities	North Dudley	Positive Directions – weekly job club held in Kent Street Centre – information, advice and guidance, training opportunities, job applications and job search	Community Renewal ACRO Future Skills Dudley Job Centre Plus	2005 Ongoing Review - Jan/March 2009	Number of people who attend the job club. The number who take up training and jobs. Confidence building		N16 N20 N152,N 153 LPSA2
	Review taken place and some adjustments to service implemented. An average of 5 clients attended each session during 2008. Awaiting report from Future Skills to track progression of clients.						

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Regeneration Matters /Wealthy Communities	Coseley	Improvements in use of transport links – Coseley station. Address lack of parking for people using the station. Identify new sites for parking.	DUE - Traffic Management – Peter Vangeersdaele Councillors ACRO Centro		New car park. Reduction in the number of cars parking on roads in the vicinity of the station.		N192, N198 LPSA2
	Awaiting outcome of discussion with Centro.						
Safety Matters/ Safer Communities	Upper and Lower Gornal Coseley and Woodsetton	Social Responsibility Scheme Off Licensees interviews and protocol Monitoring visits to off licences by project team Increased patrols by Police Health promotion campaign/raising awareness – leaflets in off licences	WM Police Trading Standards Licensing Health Promotion Team Off Licensees	Nov 07 - Feb 08 April 08 May 08 Regular reviews 2009	Greater awareness of the effects (short, medium & long term) of alcohol. Reduction in binge drinking & the effects to health & the community. Reduction in sales of alcohol to young people. Reduction in anti-social behaviour & vandalism.		LPSA2 N39 N17 N192 N116 N115
	See Healthy Communities above.						
	Upper and Lower Gornal – Oval and Tudor estate	Development of traffic/pedestrian safety project. Estate walkabout with Traffic section and Safer Routes to School team. Traffic calming measures implemented.	DUE – Traffic Safer Routes to School team Residents group High Arcal School ACRO	March 09	Safer route to High Arcal School. Improved safety for pedestrians. Increase in cycling. Healthier young people		N192, N198 LPSA2
Some traffic calming measures implemented but the wider plan by the Road Safety Team with High Arcal School not yet developed. Travel plan being consulted on by Linda Tromans. 1200 surveys for students currently being completed. Plan needs to be in place by end of March 09.							

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	Upper and Lower Gornal	Regular meetings of the Community Safety Partnership/ PACT (Partners and communities together). Identify priorities and monitor progress. Await PACT review. Alternate morning and evening meetings to increase partner engagement.	ACRO WM Police Housing Youth Service Beth Johnson HA Jephson HA Residents Businesses N.W. co-ordinators.	2003 ongoing	Ownership by the community of community safety issues. Reduction in fear of crime. Reduction in crime and anti-social behaviour		N1, N7, N17, N20 N35 N115 N192 LPSA2
Regular meetings take place with a wide range of agencies and community members taking part in problem solving community safety issues.							
	Coseley Sedgley	Community Safety Group PACT meetings	WM Police ACRO Councillors Youth Service Residents	Feb 2008 ongoing	Ownership by the community of community safety issues. Reduction in fear of crime. Reduction in crime and anti-social behaviour.		N1, N7, N17, N20 N35 N115 N192 LPSA2
Regular meetings held with good attendance by local residents and partner agencies.							
Local People Matter / Stronger Communities	Sedgley Community Centre Hurst Hill Community Centre Rainbow Community Centre Summerhill Community Centre Upper Gornal Voluntary Recreation Association	Mapping of current use of buildings and activities. Consultation with community associations and voluntary organisations about the use of the buildings. Building the capacity of committees and users of the buildings.	Community Development Officer ACRO Community Associations/Voluntary Orgs. Dudley Property Consultancy Community Centres Officer	April 2008 ongoing	Where appropriate: Improvements to buildings. Greater community use of the centres. Improvements in the management of the buildings.		N1, N7 N35, N17 N139 N153 N152 N163 LPSA2
Summerhill CA steering group are holding their inaugural meeting on 25 February.							



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	Gornal	Gornal community fun day. Planning committee meetings. Building the capacity of the committee. Organising events and booking activities Training for committee members.	ACRO Upper Gornal Pensioners Club Upper Gornal Kids Club Gornal Methodist Church Oval and Tudor TRA	2004 Annual event and review	Community cohesion. Voluntary groups working together to plan and deliver a community fun day. 300 – 400 people attending. (approx. 1000 in 2008)	★	N1, N7 N35, N17 N139 N153 N152 N163 LPSA2
Local People Matter / Stronger Communities	Coseley - Wallbrook	Community fun day	WM Police Residents ACRO Summerhill C.A.	May 2008 Annual event and review	Community cohesion. Voluntary groups working together to plan and deliver a community fun day	★	N1, N7 N35, N17 N139 N153 N152 N163 LPSA2
	Gornal Fun day will be held on 4 July, funding for the next 3 years has been secured from Grassroots funding. Training for both committees “Organising Successful Events” is being held in March.						
	Upper Gornal -Oval and Tudor estate	Production of quarterly newsletter. Collecting information and stories. Taking photographs. Seeking advertising and sponsorship	ACRO Resident’s editorial committee. Neighbours News	2003 ongoing	Confidence and capacity building of the editorial committee. Successful in obtaining funding from sponsors and advertisers. Young people from High Arcal School contributing.	★	N163, N1, N7
March edition currently in production.							

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An event is planned for the 2 April to celebrate the achievements of the TRA and other community groups in Upper Gornal							
	Lower Gornal – Ellowes Hall	Initial public meeting to gauge interest from the community. Identify issues/problems for the neighbourhood. Develop a forum and hold regular meetings. Training opportunities offered to individuals. Support to form a committee and develop a tenants and residents association.	Housing – PDO and Housing Manager ACRO	July 2008 ongoing	Greater resident involvement in the issues affecting their estate and working with partners to seek solutions.		N7, N163,N 120
The date for the inaugural meeting is 30 April.							
	Hurst Hill	Public meeting. Further meeting to be held to determine whether the community want a resident's forum or a TRA.	Housing – PDO and Housing Manager ACRO	April 2008 ongoing	Development of residents forum/TRA		N7, N163,N 120
A public meeting has been arranged for 21 May.							

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Local People Matter /Stronger Communities	Identified prioritised neighbourhoods /localities within North Dudley	Extending Community Renewal in North Dudley Joint planning with elected members to cover identified areas and priorities, within the scope and resources available	Elected members , ACRO, tenants and residents, local partnerships and communities, partner agencies	Jun 08 Through area committee process	Elected members fully involved through area committee		All	
		Re- vitalising and extending the North Dudley neighbourhoods partnership to cover other North Dudley neighbourhoods in need	As above	Jun 08 Jun 09	NDNP will include representation from additional neighbourhoods with identified community issues. Will be linked to elected members and partners Will succeed in influencing things to be done		All	
	List of organisations/voluntary/community groups identified. Planning in progress to engage with all groups and arrange first Community Renewal Forum during April or May.							
		Communication of CR priorities to all partners through the neighbourhood service and local task groups Regular elected member briefings as agreed	As above	On going Annual review	Elected members, Local people and partners informed and involved.		All	

- Good progress 
- Moving in the right direction 
- Blockages or no progress 