

# REPORT TO CABINET

REPORT OF: CORPORATE DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY SERVICES

REPORT NO: DCS13

DATE: 10<sup>th</sup> January 2005

<b>TITLE:</b>	<b>LOCAL STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP – CONSULTATION OF FUTURE PRIORITIES</b>
<b>FORWARD PLAN ITEM:</b>	<b>NO</b>
<b>KEY DECISION OR POLICY FRAMEWORK PROPOSAL:</b>	<b>N/A</b>

<b>COUNCIL AIMS/PORTFOLIO HOLDER NAME AND DESIGNATION:</b>	<b>POTENTIAL TO CONTRIBUTE STRATEGICALLY TO ALL A AND B PRIORITIES OF THE COUNCIL.  COUNCILLOR TERL BRYANT: COMMUNITY AFFAIRS PORTFOLIO</b>
<b>CORPORATE PRIORITY:</b>	<b>CATEGORIES A &amp; B</b>
<b>CRIME AND DISORDER IMPLICATIONS:</b>	<b>YES</b>
<b>FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT IMPLICATIONS:</b>	<b>YES</b>
<b>BACKGROUND PAPERS:</b>	<b>N/A</b>

## 1.0 INTRODUCTION OR SUMMARY

The current Community Strategy expires on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2005. Advice at County and Regional level points to the need for Community Strategies to be evidence based, compiled following consultation, and led by Local Strategic Partnerships.

- 1.2 The Local Strategic Partnership recognises the need to prepare a more focused Community Strategy that sets out ambitions for the District as a whole, establishes clear priorities, and identifies performance measures that demonstrates improved outcomes through partnership working.
- 1.3 In order to ensure that the new strategy is evidence based and subject to consultation, the Chairman of the Local Strategic Partnership has commenced an extensive programme of consultation. A simple questionnaire has been compiled comprising sixteen suggested priorities with an additional box for respondents to add their own suggestions. Respondents are asked to identify their top five priorities.
- 1.4 The Chairman of the Local Strategic Partnership is intending to maximise the response rate by attending meetings of the Local Area Assembly. The objective is to raise the awareness of the role of the Local Strategic Partnership and obtain completed questionnaires as part of the consultation process.
- 1.5 Members are requested to consider these priorities in the context of a multi-agency approach where the Local Strategic Partnership has an opportunity to develop joint approaches to a diverse range of issues facing local people in South Kesteven. The questionnaire is attached.
- 1.6 The Cabinet have been asked to complete and return the questionnaire.

## **2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS**

**Cabinet are recommended to consider the attached questionnaire and collectively select their five priorities for submission to the Local Strategic Partnership.**

## **3.0 CONTACT OFFICER**

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