

REPORT TO CABINET

REPORT OF: Head of Planning Policy & Economic Regeneration

REPORT NO: PLA534

DATE: 10th October 2005

TITLE:	ECONOMIC & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY 2005-2008
FORWARD PLAN ITEM:	Yes
DATE WHEN FIRST APPEARED IN FORWARD PLAN:	15 th April 2005
KEY DECISION OR POLICY FRAMEWORK PROPOSAL:	P.F.P.

COUNCIL AIMS/PORTFOLIO HOLDER NAME AND DESIGNATION:	Councillor John Smith
CORPORATE PRIORITY:	Town Centres and the development of Grantham as a Sub-Regional Centre.
CRIME AND DISORDER IMPLICATIONS:	Some elements of strategy will contribute positively to crime and disorder reduction issues.
FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT IMPLICATIONS:	The Strategy is open to the public, and will be distributed to any member of the public on request, within ten working days.
BACKGROUND PAPERS:	1. Lincolnshire Enterprise Economic Strategy 2. East Midlands Development Agency Economic Development Strategy

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT AND SUMMARY

1.1 The report aims to present the Economic & Community Development Strategy for South Kesteven for 2005-2008. The strategy indicates how the Council and partners will be involved in promoting the social, economic and environmental well being of South Kesteven. This report is requesting that Cabinet endorse the strategy after partners have contributed to its development.

2.0 DETAILS OF REPORT

2.1 Please see attached Strategy.

3.0 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND ASSESSED

3.1 There are no other options to be considered or assessed.

4.0 COMMENTS OF DIRECTOR OF FINANCE AND STRATEGIC RESOURCES

4.1 None at this stage.

5.0 COMMENTS OF CORPORATE MANAGER, DEMOCRATIC AND LEGAL SERVICES (MONITORING OFFICER)

5.1 None at this stage.

6.0 CONCLUSION OR SUMMARY

6.1 The draft Economic Development Strategy seeks to support and develop the local economy in South Kesteven. Economic development contributes to quality of life within the district. Developing our town centres and through regeneration is a priority for the Council with the added challenge of Grantham achieving sub-regional status in the near future.

6.2 The Strategy includes detailed action plans aimed specifically at business development, enabling sustainable communities and town centre regeneration.

7.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

7.1 That South Kesteven District Council endorses & distributes the draft Economic & Community Development Strategy to partners for information.

7.2 That South Kesteven District Council delivers to the Economic & Community Development Strategy during 2005-2008

8.0 CONTACT OFFICER

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