

**The Bestwood Partnership
Bestwood Directions**

**Interim Performance Report
to Area Committee Basford
and Bestwood 2009 - 2010**

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Key project areas:

- **Local Empowerment and Cohesion**
- **Employment and Education**
- **Health promotion**
- **Sustainability**

**Local Empowerment and
Cohesion:**

- **Support to Third Sector**
- **Support to volunteers**
- **Promoting democratic involvement**
- **Activity to promote cohesion**

Support to Third Sector:

- **Support to voluntary and community organisations**
- Year's forecast: 13 groups supported
- Actual for period Apr - Dec: 22 groups
- Projected total for the year: 26 groups

Support to Third Sector:

Support to voluntary and community organisations: examples

Bestwood Advice Centre visioning and expansion into Basford ward

Leen Valley Community Association

Southglade Access Centre family groups

Bestwood Art Group, venue & promotion

Support to Third Sector:

Development of voluntary sector forum in the area

Year's forecast: to hold quarterly meetings

Initial planning meeting held May

Invitation to Partnership Conference Nov

Supported groups to attend Bestwood

Baftas awards and celebratory event

Support to volunteers:

Support to people showing an interest in becoming volunteers and support to existing volunteers to further develop their involvement

- Year's forecast: 89 to be supported
- Actual for period Apr - Dec: 58 people
- Projected total 89 in line with forecast

Promoting democratic involvement:

Support to local consultation opportunities and encouragement and support to residents to participate in dialogue

- Year's forecast: 380 individual residents
- Actual for period Apr - Dec: 322 people
- Projected total for the year: 402 people

Promoting democratic involvement:

Consultation & dialogue: examples -

- Chediston Vale launch event
- New Southglade Library survey
- Welfare Rights Survey
- Parklife events Basford & Bestwood wards
- Heathfield Open Day
- Top Valley Play Park consultation

Activity to promote cohesion:

Promotion of events and development of opportunities designed to enhance community cohesion

- Year's forecast: 13 activities/interventions
- Actual for period Apr - Dec: 11 events
- Projected total for the year: 15 events
- Key event: Partnership Conference

Support to unemployed people:

Information, advice and guidance

- Year's profile: 400 clients supported
- Actual for period Apr - Dec: 403
- Projected total for the year: 500

Support to unemployed people:

Further support into employment

- 203 clients received in-depth support
- Year's profile: 60 clients into work
- Actual clients into work to date: 60.
- Projected total into work for the year: 80.

Support to unemployed people:

Examples of jobs gained:

- Security
- Construction
- Care Work
- Driving: taxi / bus
- Retail in general
- Admin posts

Adult Education:

- Up to 25 adult education courses at any one time by Bestwood Directions at Henry Whipple and Southglade Access centre
- 280 work-seeking clients referred to training Apr - Dec
- 100 additional residents on courses
- Projected total for the year: 500.

Adult Education:

Current courses include:

- I.T.: CLAIT, ECDL, beginners' classes
- ESOL (English), Step by Step Maths
- CSCS (construction skills)
- BTEC Business Administration
- Driver Theory
- Stained Glass

Opportunities for young people:

- Premises provided for Entry to Employment full-time project, supporting 20 young people to date (25 in the year)
- Base provided for BAIT project with use of community minibus, including course leading to qualification

Health Promotion:

Disease awareness and prevention and elderly support

- 56 people benefitting from Change of Heart programme Apr-Dec
- 18 community events attended by health trainer Apr-Dec
- 16 residents attending weekly Best Companions lunch club

Health Promotion:

Disease awareness and prevention and elderly support

- YMCA chair aerobics, Pilates
- Walk Group from Southglade
- Cook and Eat classes
- Dancing: salsa, belly dancing

Sustainability:

- Community buildings: Henry Whipple Junior building secured jointly with Childrens' Services as community facility for Bestwood Partnership provision and MALT team base.
- Conservation support activity in the area: green spaces, allotment project
- Business planning: financial viability

Bestwood Partnership Forum: Directors/Trustees

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| <i>Pat Chambers</i> | <i>Gary Poyser</i> |
| <i>Brian Grocock</i> | <i>Kim Preston</i> |
| <i>Jeane Bellamy-Harris</i> | <i>Gill Robinson</i> |
| <i>Chris Hooper</i> | <i>Donna Rowson</i> |
| - Chair | <i>Roy Smith</i> |
| <i>Marjorie Leech</i> | <i>Kate Taylor</i> |
| <i>Dennis Lovett</i> | - Company Secretary |
| <i>Howard Penry</i> | <i>Sandra Whitehead</i> |
| | - Treasurer |

The staff team:

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| <i>Helen Bellamy,</i> | Health Trainer |
| <i>Jean Britt,</i> | Office Cleaner (NCC) |
| <i>Gary Cawthorne,</i> | Development Manager |
| <i>Donna Denning,</i> | Learning Co-ordinator |
| <i>Kellie Mills,</i> | Outreach & Personal Advisor |
| <i>Nicola O'Connor,</i> | Employment Advisor |
| <i>Trevor Outhwaite,</i> | Sustainability Worker |
| <i>Pam Sanderson,</i> | Admin Worker |
| <i>Kirsty Whitehead,</i> | Employment Advisor |

Funders and Key Partners

- One Nottingham (WNF)
- Nottm City Council Area Management Team
- Working Links
- Enable
- Care Training
- Guideline (NextStep)
- Castle College and New College Nottingham
- NHS-Nottingham

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