

**GEDLING COMMUNITY STRATEGY REVIEW 2005**

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**Gedling Partnership  
Working Together**

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# Introduction

## **Gedling Partnership**

Gedling Partnership is a Local Strategic Partnership or LSP. LSP's aim to help important community organisations work together to deal with issues like reducing crime, improving health and protecting the environment, and act to co-ordinate work in these areas to avoid duplication and improve efficiency. Any organisation working to benefit residents, businesses or services can be part of an LSP.

## **Community Strategy Review**

In the Autumn of 2002, Gedling Partnership sought community views on a long-term strategic plan for the Borough through a series of Community Consultations. These views were translated into a plan of action for the future as the Partnership published the Gedling Community Plan 2003-2008. The Community Plan set out seven Themes for delivery and identified the need to reflect the needs of all people within the Gedling Borough Community. The achievements of this Plan so far are highlighted on page 4.

In January 2004, Gedling Partnership held an Away Day to evaluate its effectiveness for delivering the Community Plan. The Partnership identified its consultation in 2002 as a success but acknowledged that although the new Community Plan directly reflected the issues drawn from the consultation it did not provide adequate strategic guidance to partner organisations for its effective delivery.

As a result of this evaluation Gedling Partnership decided on the following:

- The need to develop a more strategic agenda and a shared Vision based on the 2002 Community Consultations and other consultations since.
- The need to revise the Community Plan Themes based on the 2002 Community Consultations and other consultations since, to enable greater efficiency in delivering the Partnership's work.
- The need to re-structure the Partnership to enable effective delivery of a strategic agenda.
- The need for effective communication to and involvement of the Gedling Borough Community.
- That the Partnership should act as an arena for future Problem Solving.
- The need for effective communication and sharing of information within the Partnership.
- The need to provide information to aid decision-making and consider indicators for measuring the success of its work.

During 2004 the Partnership set itself new Strategic Priority Themes, to reflect the feedback received from various consultations. Consideration was also

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given to the seven themes of the Gedling Community Plan 2003-2008, by assessing those priorities that were already being delivered elsewhere and the availability of resources to partner organisations.

The Partnership also decided on the need to revise the Community Plan in 2005 to set a shared Vision for the Borough and to reflect the new Priority Themes. During the summer of 2005, a draft strategy produced for consultation with the community and feedback from this consultation has now been taken into account to produced this document

### **Purpose of this Community Strategy**

This Strategy sets the strategic agenda for partnership working in Gedling Borough to 2008. This agenda will help direct the future actions of the Partnership. Each delivery group within Gedling Partnership has the responsibility for defining specific actions and these will appear in the Partnership Delivery Plans highlighted under each Theme.

This document sits alongside other key strategic documents of partner organisations. To fulfil its role it has been developed with measurable targets and a strong performance management framework.

It is a detailed document whose target audience are those people who have a direct interest in the work of Partnership in the next few years. This may include residents, community and voluntary groups, business, partner organisations and other governmental organisations.

### **Summary Version**

The Partnership has also produced a more easily digestible summary version of the Community Strategy, which highlights the Vision, Values and Key Priorities of Gedling Partnership. This version will be particularly of interest to members of the Gedling Community and partner organisations who would like a snapshot of what Gedling Partnership aims to achieve by working together.

If you would be like a copy of the Summary please contact Gedling Partnership on 0115 901393 or email [gedlinglsp@gedling.gov.uk](mailto:gedlinglsp@gedling.gov.uk). Alternatively, you download a copy from the Gedling Partnership web pages at [www.gedling.gov.uk/com-community-plan.htm](http://www.gedling.gov.uk/com-community-plan.htm).

### **Glossary of terms**

On page 39 there is a Glossary giving an explanation of many of terms used within this Strategy.

## **What have we achieved so far?**

Since Gedling Partnership produced its previous Community Plan it has made a number of achievements which are listed below. This Strategy looks to build on these further.

Extensive consultation and research with the community and partner agencies on drawing up the key priorities for this Strategy. This has included, directly attending the meetings of community groups, a crime, disorder and drugs audit, developing a statistical profile of the Borough and working with local elected members, parents and young people on defining priorities for young people. Closer working with the Gedling Borough Community, through the appointment of 2 Community Project Officers in 2004 who role is to work alongside partners to support community groups in the Borough.

Started work on the Warren Hill Initiative and Valley Area Based Initiative. These projects known as Area Based Initiatives focus Partnership resources to work closely with those communities to address local issues.

Produced a Community Group Information Pack to assist members of the community who are interested in setting up a new group. Established the Health and Social Well-being Partnership to coordinate agencies working together to tackle health inequalities in the Borough. Work has already begun on reducing obesity, reducing teenage pregnancy, preventing accidents and reducing the number of smokers.

Supported the Gedling Health Action Network for community and voluntary groups with an interest in the health agenda.

Supported The Changing Lifestyles project which seeks to increase the levels of sports and physical activity amongst residents in the Borough.

Established the Gedling Youth Action Group to coordinate agencies working together to improve services for young people aged 11-25 in the Borough. Work with young people has begun on a Website, while agencies are working together on behalf of young people to map services available for them, positively promote their activities and plan a future "One Stop Shop" for them.

Invited the Gedling Youth Assembly to have an input into Partnership Board meetings.

Partners have been involved in drawing up a Learning Plan for Greater Nottingham. This process has highlight specific learning issues that need to be acted upon.

Started work to promote car free alternatives forms of transport, through the Greener Healthier Gedling project.

Re-launched Gedling Business Action Group to help build the Partnership's relationship with businesses in the Borough.

Dwelling Burglary in the Borough has reduced by 34.4% since April 2002. Partnership projects that have contributed to this reduction include targeting known offenders, Victim Support, Neighbourhood

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Watch and the fitting locks to vulnerable properties via the ACORN project.

Vehicle Crime in the Borough has reduced by 32.8% since April 2002. Partnership projects that have contributed to this reduction include awareness raising within the community using tri-signs and crime prevention booklets and targeting known offenders in the Borough.

Greater success in tackling retail crime in the Borough, through the coordination of Shop Watches and Pub Watches and introduction of the Arnold Radio Scheme.

Used Gedling CONTACTS magazine to feedback to residents the work of Gedling Partnership.

Develop some specific web pages for Gedling Partnership to help raise awareness of its work – [www.gedling.gov.uk/com-local\\_strat\\_part.htm](http://www.gedling.gov.uk/com-local_strat_part.htm).

## **A Profile of Gedling Borough**

### **About Gedling Borough**

Gedling Borough covers an area of 46.3 square miles (120 sq km) in the heart of Nottinghamshire. It is mainly residential, serving the Greater Nottingham conurbation, but with a broad industrial and commercial base including manufacturing, retailing, distribution and public services.

Arnold and Carlton (including the village of Gedling and Netherfield) are the main urban areas, adjoining the City of Nottingham. 10 rural parishes stretch towards Sherwood Forest in the north and the River Trent to the south-east.

#### Population

According to the Office of National Statistics there were 111,300 people residing in Gedling Borough in 2004. Approximately 74% live in an urban area and 26% live in the rural areas.

It is predicted that the Borough's population will rise in forthcoming years. By 2008 our population will be 111,600 and by 2028 it will have reached 116,600, an increase of 4.8%. Much of this predicted rise is due to an ageing population.

The average age of Gedling Borough's population is 40.1 years, compared to an average age across England and Wales of 38.6. Over a quarter (28.3%) of Gedling's population are under twenty-five. 48.7% of the population is between the ages of 25 and 60, while 23% of the Borough population are 60 and over.

A higher proportion of the over 50 population live in the rural areas, while a higher proportion of those under 50 live in the urban parts of the Borough.

The working age population, at 61.2%, is consistent with regional and national figures.

5.16% of the population come from black and minority ethnic (BME) backgrounds. The BME population is spread throughout the Borough – there are no distinct geographical BME communities

(Sources: Census 2001 and Population Projections 2004, Office of National Statistics).

#### Deprivation

The Borough is relatively affluent overall, ranking 184 of 354 districts nationally (where 1 = most deprived). However, this is a negative trend when compared with the 2000 index when it was ranked 197.

Within this profile of deprivation figures, Income Deprivation has lessened since 2000, when the Borough ranked 178 of the 354 districts compared to 186 in 2004.

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None of the Borough's 77 Super Output Areas (these are sub-ward level divisions representing local neighbourhoods) fall within the 10% most deprived nationally, though three are amongst the most deprived 20% nationally.

18 of the 77 Super Output Area's in the Borough fall into the 20% most deprived areas nationally in terms of deprivation relating to crime

(Sources: Indices of Multiple Deprivation 2004).

### Housing

There are currently nearly 49,000 households in the Borough. This figure is expected to rise to approximately 53,000 by 2011, a rise of 8.6%.

81.2% of homes in Gedling are owner-occupied, the highest figure in Nottinghamshire. This is well above regional and national averages. 8.4% of the population now live in council-owned accommodation.

64% of the Borough falls within the 20% least deprived areas nationally in terms of deprivation relating to barriers to housing, according to 2004 figures.

(Sources: Gedling Borough Council 2005, Census 2001, Indices of Multiple Deprivation 2004).

### Employment

Borough unemployment is consistently below regional and national averages, but rates between wards vary markedly. The current overall figure is 1.6% compared to 2.4% nationally, 2.1% for the East Midlands region and 2.3% for Nottinghamshire. This shows a decrease in the unemployment rate since May 2003 when the figure was 2.0%.

However, the rate of employment in Gedling Borough is one of the lowest in Nottinghamshire at 72.6% of people of a working age. Equally the percentage of working age people who are classed as economically inactive has increased by 8.6% over the last 4 years to 23.8%. This is the largest increase of all the Nottinghamshire districts.

Despite this, according to the Indices of Multiple Deprivation 2004, Employment Deprivation in Gedling has remained the same since 2000, ranking 163 out 354 nationally.

Average pay compares favourably with regional figures, although is lower than the national average.

(Sources: Nottinghamshire Employment Bulletin, Quarterly Labour Force Survey & Annual Survey of Hours and Earnings 2004– Office of National Statistics, Indices of Multiple Deprivation 2004).



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### Education, Skills and Training

There is a contrast between different areas in the Borough when it comes to deprivation relating to education, skills and training. 14 of the 77 Super Output Area's in the Borough fall into the 20% least deprived areas nationally, while 11 Areas are in the 20% most deprived nationally in terms of this form of deprivation.

In addition, the percentage of employed people of a working age in Gedling who are qualified at a level of NVQ 4+ has decreased by over 5% in the last year to 23.4%. In previous years this percentage has seen little change.

(Sources: Indices of Multiple Deprivation 2004, Quarterly Labour Force Survey - Office of National Statistics).

### Health

Birth and death rates in the Borough are measured by Primary Care Trust boundaries. The birth rate in Gedling stands at 49.2 per 1000 women aged 15 to 44. The death rate in Gedling stands at 625.1 per 100,000 population, slightly higher than neighbouring Rushcliffe Primary Care Trust, but slightly lower than that for Broxtowe and Hucknall PCT.

Health inequality is an issue. Infant mortality is significantly higher than the regional or national average, whilst half of the Borough's wards have higher than expected hospital admissions for cancer under age 65 and almost 2/3 of wards have higher than expected cancer deaths.

18.3% of people in Gedling consider themselves to have a limiting long-term illness, health problems or disabilities, which limits their daily activities. This almost equals figures for England and Wales.

(Sources: Gedling Primary Care Trust 2004, Census 2001).

## **Partnership Working in Gedling Borough**

### Gedling Partnership

This document has been drawn up by Gedling Partnership, the Local Strategic Partnership or LSP for Gedling Borough. The Partnership aims to bring community organisations together from the public, private and voluntary sectors to deliver the Priority Themes set out in its Community Strategy.

### Board

The Partnership currently consists of a Board which is the strategic decision making body of Gedling Partnership. It has set the Priority Themes within this draft document and will use performance management systems to assess and monitor the Partnership's progress towards delivering its future Strategy. Its membership consists of key local organisations within Gedling Borough (see Appendix A).

### Executive

Working on behalf of the Board, the Executive provides the link between the Board and those partnerships that will be delivering the Community Strategy. The Executive has some delegated decision making power, and has responsibility for monitoring the delivery of the future Strategy.

### Delivery Partnerships

There are four key partnerships who will deliver the Priority Themes of the Community Strategy. These are:

- Gedling Community Safety Partnership
- Gedling Health and Social Well-being Partnership
- Gedling Youth Action Group
- Gedling Business Action Group

Their role is to deliver work on behalf of Gedling Partnership. Their Delivery Plans are directed by the local outcomes set within the Community Strategy and by the requirements of national legislation.

### Other Key Partnerships

There are other key partnerships in Gedling Borough with a specific remit whose work will play a role to its delivery. These partnerships include:

- Gedling Environment Network
- Changing Lifestyles Management Group (Sports & Physical Activity)

In addition, Gedling Partnership seeks input into partnership structures that cover a wider geography than Gedling Borough. These partnerships focus on priorities that are better delivered at that geographical level. Examples include:

- Greater Nottingham Partnership
- Nottinghamshire Partnership Assembly

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- Nottinghamshire Local Area Agreement Management Group
- Nottinghamshire Local Area Agreement Themed Partnerships
- Sustainability Nottinghamshire
- Nottinghamshire Teenage Pregnancy Partnership

### New Primary Care Trust Structure

At the time of writing this Strategy, Primary Care Trusts in Nottinghamshire are undergoing re-organisation which is due to be complete by April 2006. An outcome may be changes in the geographical boundaries of these organisations. Post re-organisation, the involvement of any new local structure relating Health in the work of Gedling Partnership, remains paramount, particularly given its commitment to Tackling Health Inequalities.

### Local Consultation

Numerous consultations have been drawn upon to identify the Vision of this revised draft Strategy and the Partnership Values and Priority Themes that underpin it. These are highlighted below.

#### Gedling Partnership Community Consultations in 2002

Gedling Partnership organised a series of drop-in events in seven different locations across the Borough of Gedling. Approximately 250 people attended these events in Calverton, Arnold, Newstead, Carlton, Ravenshead and Gedling Village. They varied from local residents, members of the business community, local councillors, members of voluntary or community groups and people working for the various services in the Borough.

A number of key issues were highlighted from the consultations. These were around:

Community safety	Access to leisure and open space
Young people	Public transport and alternatives to the car
Health and well-being	Having pride in the local area
Community involvement	
Learning	
Support for business	

#### Gedling Crime and Disorder and Drugs Audit Consultation 2004

Gedling Community Safety Partnership undertook an extensive programme of community consultation across the Borough in 2004. A total of 11 events were held in addition to road shows, displays and public meetings.

#### Nottinghamshire Community Safety Survey 2004

This survey was carried out as a joint venture between Nottinghamshire Police, Nottinghamshire County Council and the County's eight Community Safety Partnerships. Its aims were to provide greater insight into areas such as fear of crime, worries about crime, priorities for policing, crime reduction and community safety issues in general.

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Across the Borough, 2000 questionnaires were distributed as part of the survey. 746 questionnaires were returned, giving a response rate of 37%.

### “Quality of Life for Young People” Review, 2004

This review undertaken jointly by Gedling Partnership and Gedling Borough Council’s Community and Quality of Life Scrutiny Committee made a number of recommendations of which some are now being delivered by partner organisations in the Borough.

The review drew upon consultation with both parents and young people in Gedling Borough.

### Gedling Primary Care Trust Consultation

In the development of its Local Delivery Plan for 2005-2008, Gedling Primary Care Trust has undertaken a range of consultations in the local area. Consultees included the local Voluntary Sector, the Gedling Patient & Public Involvement Forum, other statutory partners and local GPs.

### Gedling Borough Council Overall Satisfaction Survey, 2003

2500 questionnaires were distributed to residents across the Borough as part of this survey. As many as 1710 completed questionnaires were returned, giving a response rate of 69%.

### Nottinghamshire County Council MORI Survey, 2004

In 2004 Nottinghamshire County Council commissioned MORI to undertake a major survey of local people across the County to ask for their opinions on quality of life issues.

### Nottinghamshire Chamber of Commerce Economic Survey, 2005

This survey undertaken in March 2005 identified a reduction in crime against business, education and skills and dealing with red tape as priorities for businesses in Gedling Borough.

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### **National Context**

There are a number of key policy developments from National Government which directly affect the delivery of this Community Strategy. Many of these policies provide guidance to local partnerships on how they deliver their local priorities.

### **Local Area Agreements - Improving Local Delivery in Partnership**

During 2004 and 2005 the Office of the Deputy Prime Minister (ODPM) has outlined its proposals for Local Area Agreements. These Agreements will have a direct effect upon the future of local partnership working and the development of local Community Strategies and seek to rationalise existing funding streams targeted at local areas. The following four funding streams are proposed:

- Children and young people
- Healthier Communities and Older People
- Safer and Stronger Communities
- Economic Development and Enterprise

Local Area Agreements will take the form of a locally negotiated agreement between local partners and the Government in terms of how funding is allocated at a local level. Decisions on funding will be based on local priorities within Community Strategies such as this one.

### **Gedling Borough Safer and Stronger Communities Fund Agreement**

The first stage in the development of a Local Area Agreement that affects Gedling Borough resulted in a Safer and Stronger Communities Fund Agreement being produced by Gedling Community Safety Partnership in April 2005. This agreement links key outcomes relating to crime, drugs and anti-social behaviour outcomes set by the Home Office with local outcomes set by the Community Safety Partnership.

### **Nottinghamshire Local Area Agreement**

From April 2006 a full Local Area Agreement that affects the residents and community within Gedling Borough will be in place. This will be the Nottinghamshire Local Area Agreement. and will be led at a County level by the Nottinghamshire Partnership Assembly. Gedling Partnership and individual agencies that work within the Borough will be represented on this Assembly whose role will be to direct the overarching Community Strategy for Nottinghamshire. There will be a separate Local Area Agreement for the Nottingham City Area.

There will also be Countywide Partnerships based on each of the four themes of the Local Area Agreement. Gedling Partnership and individual agencies working agencies will seek representation on each of these Partnerships.

Gedling Partnership has set Local Priority Themes and outcomes that directly link to three of the four Nottinghamshire themes originally identified by the National Government. The Partnership will work with other partners to ensure that this work is effectively joined up across the County.

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Although, this Strategy does not have a specific theme linking directly to the fourth theme, Economic Development and Enterprise, it will make an input into the relevant Countywide Partnership. In addition, the Partnership has re-launched Gedling Business Action Group and in time this group may wish to have an input into the Countywide process.

Gedling Borough also falls within the Greater Nottingham conurbation and this geographical area is seen as the main driver of economic activity and prosperity for our area. As a result, Gedling Partnership will also work with Greater Nottingham Partnership to avoid any duplication, overlap, confusion and waste in this area of work.

### **Choosing Health – Making healthy choices easier, 2004**

In 2004 the Department of Health published a White Paper setting out the key principles to support the public to make healthier and informed choices in regard to their health. The Paper highlighted the need for local organisations to tackle issues such as smoking, obesity, alcohol consumption, sexual health and mental health by working together in partnership.

Gedling Partnership has used the Choosing Health White Paper as a guide to tackling issues of Health Inequality in Gedling Borough and this Strategy reflects many of the White Paper's priorities.

### **Every Child Matters: Change for Children 2004**

This national framework identifies the need for the delivery of local services to consider the needs of children and young people. It outlines a number of key outcomes for local partnerships to consider, such as children being healthy, staying safe, enjoying and achieving, making a positive contribution, and achieving economic well being.

### **The Children Act 2004**

This places a duty on all agencies to improve the well being of children. Key to the legislation is the transformation of Children's Services within upper tier local authorities and the development of local Children's Centres. Partnership working between both statutory and voluntary local agencies is required to enable future services to be taken forward locally. Gedling Partnership is currently considering how it can best reflect the needs of both the Children Act and Every Child Matters in its future working.

### **Youth Matters Green Paper, 2005**

This Green Paper considers a number of issues relating to young people and seeks the views of various bodies across the country. Issues drawn upon include Young People and Services Today, Empowering Young People, Young People as Citizens and Supporting Young People. The Partnership's Youth Action Group is considering the impact the Green paper upon work with Young People in Gedling Borough.

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### **Local Development Frameworks**

The Local Development Framework is the name given for the range of different documents and that local planning authorities have to prepare as instructed by the Planning & Compulsory Purchase Act 2004. The timetable for producing these documents runs to a three-year cycle and for Gedling Borough the current cycle runs from September 2004 to September 2007.

The Planning & Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 also requires the Community Strategy to take into account the land use impact of its priorities. Land use implications will be considered in the delivery of all of the Priority Themes within this Strategy. This document will, in turn, direct the Gedling Borough Council Core Strategy, which sets out the spatial vision, objectives and strategy for future development in the Borough. The Core Strategy is one of the key documents within the Local Development Framework.

Another key part of this Framework is the Statement of Community Involvement (SCI). This outlines how the community will be consulted on major planning issues. It will be adopted in the summer of 2006 and will identify links between the Local Development Framework and the Community Strategy. The "Building Social Capital and Pride in the Local Area" Theme within this document commits to greater community involvement and better co-ordinated consultation in the Borough. This Theme will give direction to the production of the Statement of Community Involvement.

In addition the Community Strategy's "Partnership Values" also reflect the Aims and Objectives of local planning policy.

# The Gedling Borough Strategy

## Vision

Gedling Partnership has set a long-term Vision for the future of Gedling Borough, taking into account the key concerns that affect the Borough now and which are likely to affect it in the future. This Vision is of **Gedling Borough as a community in which everyone plays their part in bringing about greater security, greater prosperity, improved health and a better environment for all. A Borough where people want to live and do business.**

This Strategy sets out a framework to begin achieving the Vision. Its purpose is to guide organisations and groups who work together in the Borough on how they can best deliver action to ensure the Vision is achieved.

The Strategy underpins this Vision by setting out five Key Priority Themes for the Borough and a number of values to be followed when delivering these Themes.

The five Priority Themes of the Gedling Community Strategy are:

- Building Social Capital and Pride in the Local Area
- Action for Youth
- Tackling Health Inequalities
- A Safer Community
- A Better Local Environment

The Strategy also has a commitment to continually assess what the priorities for Gedling Partnership should be. As a result, it also sets out the need to:

- Identify and take action upon any Emerging Trends in the Borough.

## Partnership Values

The following values will be followed when delivering each of these Priority Themes:

### Partnership

This Strategy will bring together and co-ordinate the partnership working of those organisations from the public, private and voluntary sectors that share a commitment to achieving the Gedling Borough Vision. The Vision can only be realised by the coordinated efforts of all agencies working in partnership. It will focus on priorities that can only be effectively delivered by organisations working in partnership.

### Community Involvement and Participation

This Strategy will encourage local communities to express their aspirations, needs and priorities, through capacity building, training and consultation. It encourages community involvement in the delivery of the Key Priority Themes, and endeavours to allow the community to influence future decision making. The



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Gedling Borough Community includes community groups of interest, geographical communities, the voluntary sector and residents.

### Social Inclusion

This Strategy has a commitment to social inclusion for all communities within the Borough. Gedling Partnership will identify those communities that are most in need in Gedling Borough and work together to assist them. This may involve delivering an Area Based Initiative within a specific geographic locality and targetting particular communities of interest when delivering the Priority Themes.

### Equality and Opportunity

This Strategy will ensure everyone in the Gedling Borough Community has the opportunity to have their say, access the services and activities that they require, and to participate in the delivery of the Key Priority Themes. Where necessary this will involve removing the barriers that prevent people from participating and accessing services on an equal basis.

### Community Cohesion

This Strategy will encourage people to live in harmony and to have a sense of belonging and pride in their local community. In its delivery, partners will promote and celebrate a positive image of the Gedling Borough Community.

### Rural Proofing

The partners are committed to “rural proofing” the work of Gedling Partnership in line with Countryside Agency guidance. In its delivery, partners must consider a range of issues that may affect rural communities, such as transport and access to services, when they develop their policies or projects.

### Efficiency and Quality

This Strategy will be underpinned by a Performance Management Framework, which will enable the high quality delivery of the Key Priority Themes through effective planning, measurement, monitoring and evaluation. It will ensure decisions are based on evidence of need and that good value is delivered by seeking to avoid duplication and bureaucracy.

### Communication and Marketing

The partners are committed to keep the Borough informed as to what they are doing and how the Strategy is being delivered. They will promote a positive image of the Gedling Borough Community. To ensure effective delivery of the Priority Themes the Strategy promotes the sharing of information, ideas, skills, knowledge and good practice between partner organisations.

### Flexibility

This Strategy sets out a long-term Vision for Gedling Borough. However, local and regional circumstances and national government legislation can change over time and such changes are likely to affect delivery of the Strategy. As a result, these principles allow for Gedling Partnership to identify future change at a local, regional and national level and adapt its Strategy accordingly.

### Sustainability

This Strategy will ensure the positive impact of partnership work delivered in Gedling Borough is maintained long-term. This requires such work meeting the

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needs of both existing and future members of the Gedling Borough Community. By following the guiding values within this Strategy, Gedling Partnership will ensure today's actions do not reduce the opportunities for future generations.

## Emerging Trends

Within the Profile section of this Strategy there are a number of emerging trends which will help the Partnership identify how Gedling Borough may be changing in terms of the demographics and the quality of life of the residents in the Borough. A key part of this Strategy is a commitment by Gedling Partnership to continually assess such trends to ensure the most significant needs of the Borough are identified and acted upon. If necessary this may involve new priorities being identified for the Partnership.

Gedling Partnership aims to achieve the following outcome:

<b>Outcome: Emerging Trends Identified and Acted Upon</b>
<b>Consultation and Research Findings:</b>
The need to predict emerging trends during the life cycle of the Strategy.
Source of findings: Gedling Partnership Board
<b>How will we measure this?</b>
By presenting reports to the Gedling Partnership Board and Executive based on quality of life indicators.
<b>Target</b>
Emerging Trends Assessed by the Partnership Every 6 Months.

### Delivery Partnership

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### Related Documents and Projects

Gedling Community Profile, Gedling Borough Council

Indices of Multiple Deprivation 2004, Office of the Deputy Prime Minister

Nottinghamshire Local Area Agreement

## Priority Themes

### A Safer Community:

Our consultation shows that issues relating to Safer Communities continually appear as a top priority for the Gedling Community.

We aim to achieve the following outcomes for A Safer Community:

<b>Outcome: A reduction in the level of All Crime in Gedling Borough, including Business Crime</b>
<b>Consultation and Research Findings:</b>
<p>Recorded crime in the Borough is comparatively high, though most recent trends are downwards.                  23% of the Borough falls into the 20% most deprived areas nationally in terms of deprivation relating to crime.                  There are local concerns about various crime types.                  This is a priority for national government.</p> <p>Sources of findings: Nottinghamshire Police, Indices of Multiple Deprivation 2004, Local Consultation in Gedling Borough, Home Office</p>
<b>How will we measure this?</b>
By recording offences in the Borough per 1000 population.
<b>Targets</b>
<p><u>Baseline</u>                  2003/2004 recorded crime figures: 113.4 per 1000 population.</p> <p><u>Targets</u>                  To reduce recorded offences by 22.5% by March 2008.</p>

<b>Outcome: A reduction in the level of Anti-social Behaviour in Gedling Borough</b>
<b>Consultation and Research Findings:</b>
<p>There are local concerns about anti-social behaviour.                  This is a priority for national government.</p> <p>Sources of findings: Local Consultation in Gedling Borough, Home Office</p>
<b>How will we measure this?</b>
By recording anti-social behaviour incidents reported to Nottinghamshire Police, Gedling Borough Council and other partners.
<b>Target</b>
<p><u>Baseline</u>                  Awaiting baseline data from Jupiter In Nottinghamshire.</p>

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Target

To reduce incidents of anti-social behaviour by 20% by March 2008 from baseline.

**Outcome: A reduction the level of Fear of Crime in the community**

**Consultation and Research Findings:**

Fear of crime in Gedling Borough disproportionately high in comparison to the levels of actual crime.

There are local concerns about fear of crime.

This is a priority for national government.

Sources of findings: Nottinghamshire Police Fear of Crime Survey, Local Consultation in Gedling Borough, Home Office

**How will we measure this?**

By measuring the proportion of residents who feel 'fairly safe' or 'very safe' when out in the Borough during the day and after dark

**Target**

Baseline

2004 figures: 84.6% feeling safe during the day and 44.9% feeling safe after dark.

Target

Increase percentage feeling safe during the day to 95% and after dark to 70%, both by March 2008.

**Outcome: A reduction in the harm that drugs cause to communities, individuals and their families**

**Consultation and Research Findings:**

There are local concerns over drug related offending.

This is a priority for national government.

Sources of findings: Local Consultation in Gedling Borough, Home Office

**How will we measure this?**

By recording the number of seizures of Class A drugs in drug partnership area per 10,000 population.

By recording the number of Class A drug supply offences brought to justice per 10,000 population.

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<b>Target</b>
<u>Baseline</u> Currently held by Nottinghamshire County Drug and Alcohol Action Team.
<u>Target</u> To reduce acquisitive crime by 50% by March 2006.

<b>Outcome: A Reduction in Business Crime in the Borough</b>
<b>Consultation and Research Findings:</b> A main priority identified by businesses in the Borough is a reduction of crime against businesses. Source of findings: Nottinghamshire Chamber of Commerce Economic Survey 2004
<b>How will we measure this?</b> By recording the levels of Business crime in the Borough. By developing a Business Crime Reduction Strategy for Gedling Borough
<b>Target</b>
<u>Baseline</u> Baseline data to be identified in Gedling Business Crime Strategy.
<u>Target</u> To adopt a Business Crime Reduction Strategy by March 2006. To reduce the level of Business Crime by 20% by March 2008 from baseline .

### Delivery Partnerships

Gedling Community Safety Partnership  
Gedling Business Action Group  
Gedling Youth Action Group  
Nottinghamshire Safer and Stronger Communities Partnership

### Identified Actions will include:

Forthnightly tasking of partners through analysis of reported crime and other incidents  
Improvement to existing CCTV and expanding coverage the Borough.  
Improving community involvement in community safety at a neighbourhood level.

### For more information on Actions Plans, please contact:

#### Gedling Safer and Stronger Communities Agreement 2005-2008

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### Gedling Community Safety Partnership Annual Delivery Plans

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### **Related Documents and Projects**

Gedling Crime and Disorder and Drugs Strategy 2005-2008  
Gedling Safer and Stronger Communities Agreement 2005-2008  
Gedling Community Safety Partnership Annual Delivery Plans  
A future Gedling Business Crime Reduction Strategy  
Greater Nottingham Business Crime Strategy, 2005  
All Together Better, Nottinghamshire Community Strategy 2005-2009  
Nottingham Local Area Agreement 2006  
Gedling Borough Council Adopted Replacement Local Plan  
Gedling Borough Council Generic Development Control Policies  
Gedling Borough Town Centres' Action Plans  
Gedling Borough Council Draft Housing Strategy 2004

## Action for Youth

Our consultation shows that issues relating to Young People are a key priority for the Gedling Borough Community.

We aim to achieve the following outcomes by undertaking Action for Youth:

<b>Outcome: Strategic Coordination of Services for Children and Young People in Gedling Borough</b>
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<b>Consultation and Research Findings:</b>
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Over a quarter (28.3%) of the Borough population is under twenty-five (Source: Office of National Statistics, 2004).

There is a need for better coordination of initiatives or activities for children and young people.

Local partnerships should consider issues such as children being healthy, staying safe, enjoying and achieving, making a positive contribution, and achieving economic well being.

Sources of findings: Office of National Statistics 2004, "Quality of Life for Young People in Gedling" Review 2004, "Every Child Matters: Change for Children" White Paper 2004

<b>How will we measure this?</b>
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By producing an overarching Young Persons Strategy for Gedling Borough.  
By creating an overarching Children and Young People Partnership for Gedling Borough covering ages 0-25.

<b>Target:</b>
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<u>Targets</u>
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A Gedling Children and Young People Partnership for Gedling Borough by March 2006.

A new Gedling Borough Young Persons Strategy – timescale to be agreed by Children and Young People Partnership.

<b>Outcome: Effective Partnership Working in Improving Services for Children and Young People</b>
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**Consultation and Research Findings:**

The Community wants improved services and facilities for young people.  
 There is a need for closer working between Gedling Borough Council and Nottinghamshire County Council Youth Service on sports development.  
 A need for local 'One Stop Shops' to meet the needs of young people.  
 Local partnerships should consider issues such as children being healthy, staying safe, enjoying and achieving, making a positive contribution, and achieving economic well being.

Sources of findings: "Quality of Life for Young People in Gedling" Review, 2004, "Every Child Matters: Change for Children" White Paper 2004

**How will we measure this?**

By producing and evaluating a measurable Delivery Plans for the Gedling Partnership's Children and Young People Groups.  
 By measuring the percentage of residents who think that activities for teenagers in their local area have got better or stayed the same.  
 By measuring the percentage of residents who think that facilities for young children in their local area have got better or stayed the same.

**Target:**

Baseline

Baseline to be obtained from Gedling Borough Council's Annual Satisfaction Survey in 2005.

Targets

To produce Annual Delivery Plans for Gedling Partnership's Children and Young People Groups.  
 Target date for first Youth Action Group Delivery Plan is March 2006.  
 To increase the percentage of residents who think activities for teenagers have got better in their local area by March 2008.  
 To increase the percentage of residents who think facilities for young children have got better in their local area by March 2008.

**Outcome: Positive Perception of Young People in Gedling Borough**

**Consultation and Research Findings:**

Fear of Crime is more associated with young people and groups hanging around.

Sources of findings: Local consultation in Gedling Borough, "Quality of Life for Young People in Gedling" Review, 2004

**How will we measure this?**

By recording the percentage of residents who have a positive perception of young people.

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<b>Target:</b>
<p><u>Baseline</u> To obtain baseline data from Gedling Borough Council Annual Satisfaction Survey in 2005.</p> <p><u>Target</u> Target to increase the positive perception of young people from baseline figure by March 2008.</p>

<b>Outcome: Reduction of the Number of Young People Involved in Crime and Anti-social Behaviour, as Victims or Offenders</b>
<b>Consultation and Research Findings:</b>
<p>There is a need to tackle the issues relating to young people and anti-social behaviour. Young People would like better supervised parks in the Borough. This is priority for national government.</p> <p>Sources of findings: Local consultation in Gedling Borough, "Quality of Life for Young People in Gedling" Review, 2004, Home Office</p>
<b>How will we measure this?</b>
<p>By recording the Number of Young People who are victims of Crime and Anti-social Behaviour. By recording the number of Youth Offenders.</p>
<b>Targets:</b>
<p><u>Baseline</u> Baseline for Victims still to be identified by Victim Support and Nottinghamshire. Final Baselines for youth offenders to be agreed through Local Area Agreement.</p> <p><u>Target</u> Target for young people as victims of crime and anti-social behaviour to be agreed once baseline set. To reduce the number of first time young offenders by 20% by March 2008 To reduce repeat offending by young people by 15% by March 2008</p>

### Delivery Partnerships

Gedling Youth Action Group  
Gedling Community Safety Partnership  
Nottinghamshire Children and Young People Partnership

### Identified Actions will include

A One-stop-shop for Young People in the Borough.  
A website dedicated for Young People in the Borough.  
More Positive publicity in the local media for Young People in the Borough.

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**For more information on Actions Plans, please contact:**

### **Action for Youth Annual Delivery Plan**

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### **Future Children and Young People Action Plans**

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### **Related Documents and Projects**

A future Gedling Borough Young Persons Strategy

Action for Youth Annual Delivery Plans

Gedling Crime and Disorder and Drugs Strategy 2005-2008

Gedling Safer and Stronger Communities Agreement 2005-2008

Gedling Borough Council Core Strategy

Nottinghamshire Local Area Agreement 2006

Gedling Borough Council Adopted Replacement Local Plan

Gedling Borough Town Centres' Action Plans

Gedling Borough Council Draft Housing Strategy 2004

## Tackling Health Inequalities

Our consultation and research shows that Health Inequalities need addressing in the Borough.

We aim to achieve the following outcomes by Tackling Health Inequalities:

<b>Outcome: A reduction in avoidable injury in Gedling Borough</b>
<b>Consultation and Research Findings:</b>
<p>Work with young people in the promotion of their health.</p> <p>The East Midlands has one of the highest death rates from avoidable injury in the country. More than half these deaths in the region occur in people aged over 65. In children aged 0-14 accidental injury is the leading cause of death.</p> <p>Serious injury rates are higher in Gedling Borough than the national average.</p> <p>In Gedling around 20 people die each year and over 900 are admitted to hospital.</p> <p>A priority for national government.</p> <p>Source of findings: Local Consultation in Gedling Borough, Accidental Injury in Gedling 2004</p>
<b>How will we measure this?</b>
Identifying baseline data in a new Gedling Partnership Injury Reduction Strategy.
<b>Target:</b>
<p><u>Baseline</u></p> <p>To be identified as part of Injury Reduction Strategy.</p> <p><u>Target</u></p> <p>Injury Reduction Strategy and identification of baseline data in place by April 2006.</p>

<b>Outcome: A reduction in Teenage Pregnancy in Gedling Borough</b>
<b>Consultation and Research Findings:</b>
<p>Work with young people in the promotion of their health.</p> <p>Gedling Borough has a teenage conception rate of 37.1 per 1000 females aged 15-17, the fourth lowest rate for district areas in Nottinghamshire. Notably Gedling has made the most significant reduction in teenage conception rates in Nottinghamshire over the past five years.</p> <p>This is a priority for national government.</p> <p>Source of findings: Local Consultation in Gedling Borough, Office of National Statistics 2000-2002, "Choosing Health" White Paper 2004</p>

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<b>How will we measure this?</b>
By recording the conception rate of females aged 15-17 in Gedling Borough.
<b>Target:</b>
Baseline: A teenage conception rate of 37.1 per 1000 females aged 15-17 (2000-2002).
Target: To reduce the Gedling Borough conception rate to 30.10 conceptions per 1,000 females aged 15 – 17 per year for 2006. Note: <i>2006 statistics will be published in 2008.</i>

<b>Outcome: An Improved Quality of Life for Older People</b>
<b>Consultation and Research Findings:</b>
<p>Meet the health needs of older people. Issues relating to Older People should be on Gedling Partnership's agenda. 23% of the Borough population are 60 and over. It is expected that over 60's will increase as a percentage of the Gedling Borough population from 25.3% in 2003 to 27.9% by 2008 and to 35.8% by 2028.</p> <p>Source of findings: Local Consultation in Gedling Borough, Office of National Statistics 2004.</p>
<b>How will we measure this?</b>
By developing an action plan specifically targeted at the health needs of older people.
<b>Targets:</b>
<p><u>Baseline</u> To be identified in an older person's action plan.</p> <p><u>Target</u> Baseline information to be identified by March 2007.</p>

<b>Outcome: A reduction in the number of people who smoke in Gedling Borough</b>
<b>Consultation and Research Findings:</b>
<p>50% of under-75 Cancer and Respiratory deaths and 12% of Coronary Heart Disease related deaths in Gedling Borough are due to smoking. This is a priority for national government.</p> <p>Sources of findings: Gedling Primary Care Trust Local Delivery Plan 2005-2008, "Choosing Health" White Paper</p>

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<b>How will we measure this?</b>
By recording the number of adult smoking rates in the Gedling Borough area.
<b>Targets:</b>
<u>Baseline</u> 26% of adults were smokers in Gedling Borough in 2002.
<u>Target</u> To reduce adult smoking rates by 3% by March 31 <sup>st</sup> 2008 (equivalent to 2,333 quitters).

<b>Outcome: A More Active and Healthier Community</b>
<b>Consultation and Research Findings:</b>
<p>Tackling Obesity identified as a key issue for partner agencies in Gedling Borough.</p> <p>The health survey of England suggests that 25% of the over 16 population have a Body Mass Index (BMI) of over 30. This would equate to approximately 19,500 patients in Gedling.</p> <p>The availability of local participation data for sport and physical activity in Gedling is limited to only leisure centre use.</p> <p>A number of documents highlight areas of concern in current participation trends for sport and physical activity.</p> <p>Improve the opportunity for and accessibility to exercise for everyone in the community.</p> <p>This is a priority for national government.</p> <p>Source of findings: Local consultation in Gedling Borough, "Choosing Health" White Paper 2004, "Game Plan" - Department for Culture, Media and Sports, Gedling Primary Care Trust Local Delivery Plan 2005-2008</p>
<b>How will we measure this?</b>
By recording the number of 5-16 year olds involved in physical activity. By recording the levels of obesity and physical activity amongst residents in Gedling Borough. Baseline data will be obtained through the Gedling Sports & Physical Activity Survey in 2005.
<b>Targets:</b>
<u>Baseline</u> Baseline data to be obtained through the Gedling Sports & Physical Activity Survey in 2005. Gedling Borough children to have height and weight checked at school entry to help set baseline.
<u>Targets</u> Increase in participation levels in Sport and Physical Activity against baseline data. A downward trend in the prevalence of obesity in Gedling school children.

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### **Delivery Partnerships**

Gedling Health and Social Well-being Partnership  
Changing Lifestyles Management Group  
Gedling Community Safety Partnership  
Nottinghamshire Healthier Communities and Older People Partnership

### **Identified Actions will include**

“Cook and eat” sessions with parents initially in SureStart areas.

**Save Young Lives Gedling to deliver an action plan for preventing avoidable injuries amongst children and young people.**

The C-Card Scheme which is enabling young people to access condoms through a variety of youth and health settings.

### **For more information on Actions Plans, please contact:**

#### **Tackling Health Inequalities Annual Delivery Plan**

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### **Related Documents and Projects**

Gedling Primary Care Trust Local Delivery Plan 2005-2008  
Changing Lifestyles: A Sport and Physical Activity Strategy for Gedling  
Gedling Health and Social Well-being Partnership Annual Delivery Plans  
Accidental Injury in Gedling 2004  
Nottinghamshire Local Area Agreement 2006  
All Together Better, Nottinghamshire Community Strategy 2005-2009  
Gedling Borough Council Adopted Replacement Local Plan  
Gedling Borough Council Core Strategy  
Gedling Borough Council Development Briefs for Allocated Sites  
Gedling Borough Council Town Centres' Action Plans  
Gedling Borough Council Site Specific Allocations  
Gedling Borough Council Draft Housing Strategy 2004  
Gedling Borough Council Private Sector Stock Condition Survey  
Gedling Borough Council Private Sector Renewal Policy and Strategy

## Building Social Capital and Pride in the Local Area

Our consultation and research shows that involving the Community in our work is essential in order to achieve our priorities.

We aim to achieve the following outcomes by Building Social Capital and Pride in the Local Area:

<b>Outcome: People in Gedling Borough are able to identify their needs and aspirations and play a part in the delivery of these</b>
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<b>Consultation and Research Findings:</b>
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<p>A need to encourage community ownership of regeneration schemes.                  A need for greater community involvement in partnership working.                  Gedling Partnership should work directly with Voluntary and Community Groups.                  None of the Borough's local neighbourhoods fall within the 10% most deprived nationally, three are amongst the most deprived 20% nationally.</p>
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Source of findings: Local consultation in Gedling Borough, Indices of Multiple Deprivation 2004
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<b>How will we measure this?</b>
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<p>By developing and adopting a Compact Agreement within Gedling Borough.                  By seeking community participation in the delivery of Area Based Initiatives in those local areas in the Borough identified as being most in need.                  By recording the percentage of residents who think that for their local area community activities have got better or stayed the same.                  By recording the percentage of people who feel they can influence decisions affecting their local area.</p>
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<b>Target:</b>
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<u>Baseline</u>
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Baseline to be obtained from Gedling Borough Council's Annual Satisfaction Survey in 2005.
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<u>Target</u>
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<p>A Gedling COMPACT in place by March 2008.                  To begin 2 new Area Based Initiatives every year.                  To increase the percentage of residents who feel community activities have got better in their local area by 2008.                  To increase the percentage of people who feel they can influence decisions affecting their local area by March 2008.</p>
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<b>Outcome: Increase in the number of Voluntary and Community Organisations in the Borough</b>
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<b>Consultation and Research Findings:</b>
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A need for greater community involvement in partnership working.
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A need for more volunteers in the Borough.
Source of findings: Local Consultation in Gedling Borough
<b>How will we measure this?</b>
By recording the number of recorded Voluntary and Community Organisations in the Borough. By recording the percentage of people who are actively involved with at least one local community or voluntary organisation.
<b>Target:</b>
<u>Baseline</u> To obtain baseline data through Gedling Borough Council's Annual Satisfaction Survey in 2005.
<u>Target</u> Target to increase the amount of Voluntary and Community activity in the Borough from baseline.

<b>Outcome: Increase in the number of Voluntary and Community Organisations participating in the work of Gedling Partnership</b>
<b>Consultation and Research Findings:</b>
A need to encourage community ownership of regeneration schemes. A need for greater community involvement in partnership working. Gedling Partnership should work directly with Voluntary and Community Groups.
Source of findings: Local Consultation in Gedling Borough.
<b>How will we measure this?</b>
By recording the number of recorded Voluntary and Community Organisations involved in Gedling Partnership Sub-groups.
<b>Target:</b>
<u>Baseline</u> To obtain baseline data by March 2006.
<u>Target</u> To increase the number of Voluntary and Community Organisations involved in Gedling Partnership Sub-groups.

<b>Outcome: Effective Coordination of Gedling Partnership's Consultation</b>
<b>Consultation and Research Findings:</b>
The need for greater coordination of consultation with the community. Gedling Partnership decisions must be based on evidence of need. Gedling Partnership should seek to avoid duplication and bureaucracy.

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Sources of findings: Planning & Compulsory Purchase Act 2004, Gedling Partnership Values
<b>How will we measure this?</b>
By developing an effective consultation framework for Gedling Partnership, linked to the statutory Statement of Community Involvement for local planning.
<b>Target:</b>
Statement of Community Involvement adopted by August 2006. A Gedling Partnership consultation framework to be adopted by August 2006.

### How will we measure this?

By developing an effective consultation framework for Gedling Partnership, linked to the statutory Statement of Community Involvement for local planning.

### Target:

Statement of Community Involvement adopted by August 2006.  
A Gedling Partnership consultation framework to be adopted by August 2006.

## Delivery Partnerships

Gedling Partnership Board and Executive

Gedling Community Safety Partnership

Gedling Youth Action Group

Gedling Health and Social Well-being Partnership

Nottinghamshire Safer and Stronger Communities Partnership

## Identified Actions will include

The Warren Hill Initiative

The Valley Area based Initiative

A Gedling COMPACT

## For more information on Actions Plans, please contact:

### Building Social Capital and Pride in the Local Area Annual Delivery Plan

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## Related Documents and Projects

Gedling Crime and Disorder and Drugs Strategy, 2005-2008

Gedling Safer and Stronger Communities Agreement 2005-2008

Gedling Primary Care Trust Local Delivery Plan 2005-2008

Changing Lifestyles: A Sport and Physical Activity Strategy for Gedling 2005

A future Gedling Borough Young Persons Strategy

Gedling Borough Council Corporate Plan 2005-2008

Nottinghamshire Local Area Agreement 2006

All Together Better, Nottinghamshire Community Strategy 2005-2009

Gedling Borough Council Adopted Replacement Local Plan

Gedling Borough Council Core Strategy

Gedling Borough Council Statement of Community Involvement 2006

Gedling Borough Council Development Briefs for Allocated Sites

Gedling Borough Council Site Specific Allocations

Gedling Borough Council Draft Housing Strategy 2004

Gedling Borough Council Empty Homes Strategy

## A Better Local Environment

Our consultation and research shows that issues relating to our local environment needs to form a key part of this Strategy.

We aim for A Better Local Environment by achieve the following outcomes:

<b>Outcome: An improved local physical environment in the Borough</b>
<b>Consultation and Research Findings:</b>
Physical Environmental safety issues, such as fly tipping and dog fouling are a local problem. The Community Strategy should address issues regarding biodiversity conservation.
Sources of findings: Local Consultation in Gedling Borough
<b>How will we measure this?</b>
By recording the proportion of streets assessed as heavily or significantly littered. By promoting alternatives to the car through the Greener Healthier Gedling project. By measuring the percentage of residents who think that for their local area the level of traffic congestion has got better or stayed the same.
<b>Target</b>
<u>Baseline</u> Baseline to be obtained from Gedling Borough Council's Annual Satisfaction Survey in 2005.
<u>Target</u> 18% of streets in Gedling Borough assessed as heavily or significantly littered by 2007. To recruit 20 Community Groups in Greener Healthier Gedling Project by March 2006. To increase the percentage of residents who think traffic congestion has got better or stayed the same by Match 2008.

<b>Outcome: Continued protection of the Green Belt within Gedling Borough</b>
<b>Consultation and Research Findings:</b>
Maintain protection of the Green Belt.
Source of findings: Local Consultation in Gedling Borough
<b>How will we measure this?</b>
By recording the percentage of planning applications refused for inappropriate development in the Green Belt.

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<b>Target:</b>
<u>Baseline</u> Currently held by Gedling Borough Council Local Plans.
<u>Target</u> 100% of planning applications in the Green Belt refused.

<b>Outcome: Improved provision of affordable housing in the Borough</b>
<b>Consultation and Research Findings:</b> Need for greater provision of affordable housing. Source of findings: Local Consultation in Gedling Borough
<b>How will we measure this?</b> We will monitor affordable housing provided in the Borough as part of new housing developments.
<b>Target:</b>
<u>Baseline</u> Currently held by Gedling Borough Council Local Plans.
<u>Target</u> 20% of new housing provision (where appropriate) to be affordable.

<b>Outcome: Improved provision of open space in the Borough</b>
<b>Consultation and Research Findings:</b> Need for improved provision of open space. Source of findings: Local Consultation in Gedling Borough
<b>How will we measure this?</b> We will monitor the open space provided as part of new housing developments. The percentage of residents who think parks and open spaces in their local area have got better or stayed the same.
<b>Target:</b>
<u>Baseline</u> Baseline for Parks and Open Spaces to be obtained from Gedling Borough Council's Annual Satisfaction Survey in 2005.
<u>Target</u> 10% open space provision on new housing developments over 0.4 hectares. To increase the percentage of residents who think parks and open spaces have got better in their local area by March 2008.

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### **Delivery Partnerships**

Gedling Community Safety Partnership  
Gedling Health and Social Well-being Partnership  
Gedling Youth Action Group  
Gedling Borough Council Local Plans  
Nottinghamshire Safer and Stronger Communities Partnership

### **Identified Actions will include**

Greener Healthier Gedling project to involve community groups in promoting alternative forms of transport to the car.  
Legal agreements attached to granted planning permissions with regard to affordable housing and open space.  
Greater Involvement of local planners in the work of Gedling Partnership

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#### **A Better Local Environment Delivery Plan**

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#### **Gedling Safer and Stronger Communities Agreement 2005-2008**

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### **Related Documents and Projects**

Gedling Borough Council Adopted Replacement Local Plan  
Gedling Borough Council Core Strategy  
Gedling Borough Council Interim Planning Guidance on Affordable Housing  
Gedling Borough Council Open Space Strategy  
Nottinghamshire County Council Adopted Structure Plan  
East Midlands Regional Spatial Strategy  
Gedling Borough Council Draft Housing Strategy 2004  
Gedling Borough Council Empty Homes Strategy  
All Together Better: Nottinghamshire Community Strategy 2005-2009  
Nottinghamshire Local Area Agreement 2006

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## **Appendix A: Glossary**

**Below is a glossary of terms used within this Strategy.**

**Area Based Initiative:** This is a project targeted towards areas of deprivation. They aim to improve the quality of life for all the community within a defined geographical area through intensive between the community and a number of local organisations.

**Economically Inactive:** People who are neither classed as being in employment or unemployment. This group includes, for example, all those who were looking after a home or retired.

**Index of Multiple Deprivation:** A range of statistics collected by the Office of the Deputy Prime Minister which indicate the level of deprivation within areas across England and Wales.

**One-Stop-Shop:** A place where the community can access more than one service at the same time.

**Quality of Life Indicators:** A way of identifying the quality of life of an area using performance indicators. These indicators reflect the economic, environment and social well-being of the area.

**Rate of Employment:** The percentage of people of working age who are in employment.

**Super Output Area:** Geographical areas smaller than electoral wards which have been defined by the Office of National Statistics to represent local neighbourhoods.

**Working Age:** Population which includes males 16 to 64 and females aged 16 to 59.

## **Appendix A: Partners currently involved in the work of Gedling Partnership**

Below are a list of partners who are members of the various groups of Gedling Partnership:

Arnold Local Area Forum  
British Trust for Conservation Volunteers  
Business Link Nottinghamshire  
Connexions Nottinghamshire  
Department for Work and Pensions  
Diocese of Southwell  
Gedling Area Youth Assembly  
Gedling Borough Council  
Gedling Community and Voluntary Service  
Gedling Primary Care Trust  
Gedling School Sports Partnership  
Groundwork Greater Nottingham  
Newstead Healthy Living Centre  
Netherfield Forum  
Nottinghamshire Chamber of Commerce  
Nottinghamshire County Council  
Nottinghamshire Drug and Alcohol Action Team  
Nottinghamshire Fire and Rescue Service  
Nottinghamshire Police  
Nottinghamshire Police Authority  
Nottinghamshire Rural Community Council  
Nottinghamshire Youth Organisations Network  
Parish Councils  
The Pensions Service  
Sure Start Gedling  
Victim Support



## **Appendix B: Source documents**

Gedling Community Plan 2003-2008  
Gedling Partnership Terms of Reference  
Gedling Partnership Board Minutes Feb 2005  
Gedling CONTACTS Magazine Spring 2005 – “A Vision for Gedling Borough”  
article, page 6  
Gedling Partnership Information Pack  
Gedling Youth Action Group Terms of Reference  
Gedling Community Safety Partnership Terms of Reference  
Gedling Health and Social Well-being Partnership Terms of Reference  
Countryside Agency – Rural Proofing Checklist  
Gedling Partnership Community Consultations 2002  
Gedling Borough Community Profiles  
Local Area Agreements Guidance 2005, Office of the Deputy Prime Minister  
Gedling Sports and Physical Activity Strategy 2005-2008  
Indices of Multiple Deprivation 2004, Office of the Deputy Prime Minister  
Every Child Matters: Change for Children 2004, Department of Health  
Gedling Crime and Disorder and Drugs Strategy 2005-2008  
Gedling Primary Care Trust Local Delivery Plan, 2005-2008  
Choosing Health? White Paper 2004, Department of Health  
All Together Better, Nottinghamshire Community Strategy 2005-2009