

## DSP Delivery Board

### Appointment of Champions for Sustainable Community Strategy themes

#### Champions

The DSP Delivery Board that met on 26<sup>th</sup> November 2008 agreed to appoint from within their membership, champions for each of the Sustainable Community Strategy themes, including the cross cutting themes. It was recognised that as the scope of the activity relating to Local Area Agreement (and therefore Sustainable Community Strategy delivery) becomes ever wider and more complex, the DSP Delivery Board will concentrate on exception reporting. To be truly effective, there needs to be within the group a wider understanding of all activity and issues affecting delivery; this could be achieved by the appointment of champions.

#### Role of Champions

It is suggested that the champions would be a person within the DSP Delivery Board that would take an interest in a theme and develop over time a good understanding of activity and issues within a theme (at high level rather than detail), so they can contribute to strategic discussions about Local Area Agreement delivery, and help to improve performance. This could be achieved by some or all of the following:

- Receiving briefings, either verbal or written, from the theme lead before each DSP Delivery Board meeting.
- Receiving minutes of key theme partnership meetings.
- Undertaking to read fully all the performance reports relating to the theme before each DSP Delivery Board meeting.
- Liaison with relevant theme champion on DSP Partnership Board if they decide to also appoint, so that strategic leadership from the Devon Strategic Partnership may be more effective.
- It is not envisaged that this would be a very time intensive role
- There would not be a problem and may indeed be advantageous if more than one person was selected to champion a theme, as long as all themes were covered and this did not create additional duplicate work. So, for example, if face to face briefings from theme leads were requested, it would be helpful if both champions were briefed together.
- DSP Delivery Board members may choose to champion a theme within their field of expertise or to get an objective view, to choose a theme that they have limited current knowledge of.
- It is proposed that the arrangements get reviewed after a year.

Please complete the form below and return to [caroline.rae@devon.gov.uk](mailto:caroline.rae@devon.gov.uk) . Many thanks

### Self nomination forms

<b>EITHER: As part of my role with the DSP Delivery Board I would be prepared to become a Champion for the following theme:</b>		<b>YES/NO</b>
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Choice</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Choice</b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Choice</b>
<b>OR: At the moment I do not wish to become a theme champion</b>		<b>YES/NO</b>
<b>List of themes available:</b>		
P1	Supporting our County's world class natural environment, our built environment and cultural heritage to improve the look and feel of the places where we live	
P2	Working to ensure strong, prosperous and inclusive communities with a sustainable and vibrant future	
P3	Creating the conditions to enable Devon to have a strong and growing economy, and ensuring maximum opportunities are available for everyone to contribute to and benefit from it	
P4	Ensuring the availability and balance of appropriate housing	
P5	Inspiring our County's young people to achieve their best and supporting them in tackling the issues that concern them most	
P6	Promoting health and personal wellbeing for all so that people are as healthy as possible	
P7	Tackling behaviour that intimidates, hurts or offends people in Devon	
	<b>Cross Cutting Themes</b>	
CCT1	Value diversity, using equality of opportunity for everyone as a guiding principle	
CCT2	Improve accessibility to the services and opportunities people want and need, taking into account demographic change.	
CCT3	Address the challenges and seize the opportunities of climate change, and reduce our impact on the environment	