

Subject	Bucks Strategic Partnership Fund
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1 Purpose of this Report

1.1 To update the Partnership on the Bucks Strategic Partnership Fund.

2 Recommendations

2.1 The Partnership is asked to note this report.

3 Background

3.1 Bucks Strategic Partnership Implementation Group (BSPIG) was allocated £400,000 by central government in 2009. £200,000 was to be used for the countywide fund, which would focus on addressing the effects of the economic downturn in Buckinghamshire. The remaining £200,000 was to be used for the Bucks Strategic Partnership Fund. This fund was divided equally between the four districts in Buckinghamshire (Aylesbury Vale, Chiltern, Wycombe and South Bucks.)

3.2 Each district was allocated £50,000; the funding could only be spent in the allocated district and needed to be used to help Local Strategic Partnerships (LSPs) to implement their Sustainable Community Strategy (SCS).

4. Surplus funding

4.1 The South Bucks Partnership successfully allocated the Bucks Strategic Partnership Fund of £50,000 by April 2011, after the allocation, £10,273 of unspent surplus funds were returned to the fund. The surplus money was used to help kick- start youth projects within South Bucks.

4.2 The Chiltern Community Partnership only allocated £28,653 of the £50,000. Chiltern currently has a surplus of £21,347. The surplus funding needs to be spent within the District it was originally allocated to. This means that the £21,347 can only be spent within Chiltern to help deliver the Chiltern SCS.

5. The joint working group:

5.1 The Steering group have set up a separate Chiltern working group to help manage the surplus fund. The working group includes a mixture of representatives from the voluntary and community sectors as well as officers from Chiltern District Council.

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