



The South Derbyshire Partnership  
working together for  
a sustainable South Derbyshire

# Introducing the Sustainable Community Strategy for South Derbyshire 2009-2029

Fit for the Future



The South Derbyshire Partnership consists of 23 organisations representing public services, local businesses, voluntary and community groups, and residents, all of which are committed to working together to improve the District. Membership includes South Derbyshire District Council, Derbyshire Primary Care Trust, The National Forest Company, South Derbyshire Chamber, Old Post Regeneration Association Ltd. and Toyota.

A document called the South Derbyshire Sustainable Community Strategy has been created to show how members of the Partnership will work together with common goals to make life in South Derbyshire even better.

## **We have a vision for the District and we want to create:**

"A dynamic South Derbyshire, able to seize opportunities to develop successful communities, whilst respecting and enhancing the varied character and environment of our fast growing District."

We have looked at all the information to hand about the District and its people, and we have spoken to residents and organisations alike; our vision reflects the needs and priorities that have been identified. We have broken the vision down into five themes that provide the Partnership with a focus for our joint work. These are:

- **Healthy Communities**
- **Safer Communities**
- **Sustainable Development**
- **Vibrant Communities**
- **Children and Young People**

For each theme we have been able to identify the most important issues that need attention. We have also considered what we need to do to address these issues, and the changes that are needed.

The Strategy is planning a long way into the future, right up to 2029. A more detailed Action Plan has been created, which lists what we will do to towards the Strategy in the current year.

## Themes and Priorities

### Healthier Communities

#### We want to see ...

A healthier and active lifestyle across all communities

#### For example ...

- Increased life expectancy
- Reduced health inequalities
- Increased participation in sport and active recreation

### Safer Communities

#### We want to see ...

Communities that people feel are safer places in which to live, work and visit

#### For example ...

- Less anti social behaviour and criminal damage
- A realistic view about the relatively low levels of crime
- The integration of individuals and groups into the wider community

### Vibrant Communities

#### We want to see ...

Communities that are vibrant and active where there is a strong sense of community

#### For example ...

- More participation in community and voluntary action
- Increase in the percentage of people who feel South Derbyshire is an attractive place to live
- Reduced carbon emissions per person

### Sustainable Development

#### We want to see ...

Successful existing and new communities which meet the population's needs and aspirations

#### For example ...

- Joined up transport solutions that are accessible to all communities
- Ensure housing growth is accompanied by the provision of appropriate services and infrastructure
- Improve accessibility for all education, training and related support

### Children and Young People

#### We want to see ...

Communities where all children and young people achieve their full potential and make positive contributions to their communities

#### For example ...

- Celebrate the achievements of children in the District
- Provide access to positive activities
- Improve the aspirations of children in the District

## South Derbyshire Partnership Members



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