

APPENDIX 2

Summary of Priority Actions for the Development Department 2011/12

The department is currently developing the full detail of its Departmental Plan for 2011/12 which will be presented to Development Committee in March.

Highlighted below are some of the key actions which the department is aiming to achieve for 2011/12.

- Complete the Belfast Masterplan and identify the Council's key priorities for physical development and infrastructure in Belfast.
- Raise £5M in EU and UK funding.
- Develop implementation plan for World Fire & Police Games (increase visitor numbers; increase economic benefit; raise international profile of Belfast).
- Drive integrated implementation of Titanic Quarter (maximise economic benefit to whole city)
- Prepare integrated events programme for 2012.
- Prepare integrated Belfast Marketing Strategy.
- Confirm and implement Community Development Strategy.
- Create 110 jobs via business support programmes for 1000 companies.
- Secure commitment to Belfast Employability and Skills Plan.
- Deliver city markets at St. George's and Smithfield and support creation of 2 new markets in Belfast.
- Deliver actions within the Integrated Tourism Strategy including the 'Belfast Story', the Tourism 9 Places/Community Tourism and the Maritime Heritage Trail.
- Deliver actions within the Cultural Strategy including integrated approach to creative enterprises; festivals and public art.
- Invest £1.4M in local cultural and artistic activities.
- Develop a Belfast Regeneration Plan (based on SRFs) and identify priority areas for delivery.
- Investigate a framework for area based investment.
- Deliver at least 3 neighbourhood regeneration projects,
- Revitalise at least 2 derelict sites in the city, working with Building Control.
- Coordinate development activity within the City Centre.
- Deliver new Community Development Strategy
- Invest £840,000 in community-based advice services via 5 city-wide advice consortia.
- Improve citizen access to a network of locally facing community facilities
- Deliver the first year actions in the BCC Framework on Tackling Poverty and Inequalities.
- Create and co-ordinate opportunities for children and young people.