



### *Building on success*

The Building Better Communities initiative by the end of its second year has delivered over 450 improvements throughout Nottinghamshire. A wealth of improvements has been made to the county's 'green estate', its 'rights of way' network and sites of local historic significance. This has been carried out alongside the major flagship schemes, highway improvements and shopping centre refurbishments that were the mainstay of the initial programmes.

With the support of elected County Council Members and local people we intend to continue this diverse mix of improvements throughout Nottinghamshire.

### *In the future*

Whilst the County Council will be investing around £5 million per year on Building Better Communities at the same time extra funding will be generated by working with partners to attract external resources for more environmental improvements.

During 2005/06 alone over £2.5 million of external funding was brought into the authority from partner organisations.

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## **Building Better Communities Year 3 - Flying High** making a difference



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## *A better place to live and work*

Much has been done to improve large areas of the county over the last 30 years to make Nottinghamshire a better place to live and work.

Country parks and the Greenwood Community Forest have been created, town centres transformed, colliery villages improved and many smaller projects completed to improve the quality of life in our communities.

But there is still much to do. We are investing £25 million over five years to

- improve the quality of our countryside
- 'smarten-up' our town centres
- improve the appearance of many of our housing estates

...and do much more to improve the environment in Nottinghamshire as a whole.



## *Meeting the challenge*

Building Better Communities is a wide-ranging five-year programme launched during 2004 to make the county a better place to live and work.

Building Better Communities is a key environmental priority for the County Council working with local people and partner agencies to deliver successful projects that will improve quality of life across the county.

## *Tackling key areas*

There are five key areas of action the County Council is tackling in partnership with district councils, government departments, public bodies and people in local communities:



**Better Neighbourhoods** – improving the quality and image of our towns and villages, including refurbishing town centres



**Better Countryside** – improving the quality of rural areas, including reclaiming derelict land



**Better Business** – supporting the range of land-based local industries, including regenerating shopping areas serving rural communities.



**Better Leisure** – promoting tourism, recreation and leisure, including creating landscaped 'gateways' and corridors to tourist attractions and places of interest



**Better Awareness** – developing environmental education and understanding, including fostering pride of place and a sense of local history

