Supporting Local Communities **Appendix 1**

Annual capital programme used to support infrastructure projects with community benefits

Overall Aims

- Focus on areas of deprivation
- Emphasis on matched funding approach
- Support community cohesion and reduction of crime
- Support economic viability including job creation / training opportunities
- Encourage volunteering
- Community 'ownership'

Scoring System

Criteria – scoring system to prioritise bids

1. Funding to be targeted on areas of above deprivation – Score 1 to 5
2. Potential for the scheme to support economic vitality / training – Score 1 to 5
3. Potential for the scheme to create community cohesion or reduce crime Score 1 to 5
4. Level of financial contribution from other partners including applicant Score 1 to 5
5. Other local community benefits not identified above eg promotion of tourism, community participation and volunteering - Score 1 to 5.

Support is possible for other bids outside of the prioritisation process where there are exceptional community related reasons for supporting the bid, these schemes would be brought to E&S Committee for decision.

Monitoring

Schemes will be monitored post implementation – draft table of indicators below

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- Number/Value of Schemes

- Number of Community Groups participation – value of project hours

- Local Contracts award – number and value

- Out of Area Contracts awarded – number and value

- Training/Apprenticeship opportunities created

- Source/Value of External Match Funding

- On-going maintenance - assessment of costs taken on by community (public sector saving)