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COMMUNITY ASSEMBLIES ANNUAL REPORT 2013-2014 (S320)

MEETING:	1. CABINET 2. EXECUTIVE MEMBER FOR CUSTOMERS AND COMMUNITIES AS CONSULTEE 3. CUSTOMERS AND COMMUNITIES AND ORGANISATIONAL DEVELOPMENT SCRUTINY COMMITTEE
DATE:	1. 7 JULY 2014 2. 1 JULY 2014 3. 26 JUNE 2014
REPORT BY:	COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT WORKER
WARD:	ALL
COMMUNITY ASSEMBLIES:	ALL

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BACKGROUND PAPERS FOR PUBLIC REPORTS:

Cabinet Report – Community Forum Review
09/04/13

Community Forum Review Background papers

Community Assembly newsletters

Minor Grant and Community Chest applications and decision records

Available from the Policy Section room 1.13 at the Town Hall.

1.0 **PURPOSE OF REPORT**

1.1 To present for approval the Council's Community Assemblies Annual Report for 2014/15.

2.0 **RECOMMENDATIONS**

2.1 That the Community Assembly Annual Report be approved, published and widely circulated.

2.2 That the Community Assembly Programme is evaluated and reviewed during 2015/16.

3.0 **BACKGROUND**

3.1 The recommendations for the Community Forum Review were agreed at Cabinet on the 9th April 2013. This report highlights the progress so far on the move from Community Forums to Community Assemblies.

4.0 **COMMUNITY ASSEMBLIES ANNUAL REPORT**

4.1 The Community Assemblies Annual Report is attached. It covers improvements and achievements over the last year and future plans. The Annual Report also highlights a range of Community Development activity that has been undertaken during 2013/14 with our partner agencies.

5.0 **CONSIDERATIONS**

5.1 Financial – All financial savings targets for the Community Assemblies programme during 2013/14 were either met or exceeded.

5.2 Equalities – The Community Assembly programme contributes to our Equality, Diversity and Social Inclusion agenda by seeking to engage the whole community in local decision making and community activity. During 2013/14 the Minor Grants programme was particularly effective at helping to fund activities for older and younger people and the community development work has been primarily focused on health inequalities and deprivation.

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7.0 **REASON FOR RECOMMENDATIONS**

7.1 To continue to work with our communities to ensure that Chesterfield Borough remains a great place to live, work, study and visit.

W. BLUNT
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT WORKER (POLICY SECTION)

Further information on this matter can be obtained from Wendy Blunt (Extension 5344).

Officer recommendation supported/not supported/modified as below or Executive Members' recommendation/comments if no Officer recommendation.

Signed

Executive Member

Date

Consultee Executive Member/Assistant Executive Member comments (if applicable)