



The Local Action Group for Sunderland's Community Led local Development Programme (CLLD) is looking for new members.....are you interested in getting involved?

### **Background to the Programme**

It's a five year programme which was launched in November 2017. Funded with the help of £3.05m of European Funding and a further £2.75 match funding, the programme aims to deliver wide-ranging social and economic benefits in targeted communities in the East, North, West and Washington Areas in the city by supporting activities designed to:

- Enhance people's skills and employment prospects
- Boost enterprise and entrepreneurship
- Improve community capacity, partnership working and social innovation

CLLD is all about bringing together local communities to explore and understand the challenges and experiences in their own communities and helping to come up with positive solutions to tackle these.

The programme's vision is to make a real difference to the way local people, voluntary and community groups and businesses benefit from the significant investment and opportunities in the local economy over the coming years. It aims to improve employment rates, enhance skills and earnings and create a vibrant, connected and sustainable city which is attractive to residents and business alike.

### **What is the Local Action Group?**

From the outset the Sunderland approach has fully involved the community in developing and shaping the programme, its priorities and processes. A key requirement for CLLD was to establish a Local Action Group in order to oversee the development and implementation of the programme. (The group's objectives are outlined in the Expression of Interest attached).

The Group meets on the third Thursday of the month and is made up of representatives from a cross section of the community including the public sector, private sector, voluntary and community sector (VCS), residents and specific communities of interest.

The Local Action Group has agreed to review its membership on an annual basis.

### **Are you interested in getting involved?**

If you are interested in being involved, please do not hesitate to contact [allison.patterson@sunderland.gov.uk](mailto:allison.patterson@sunderland.gov.uk) (Tel. 0191 561 1474) or [james.garland@sunderland.gov.uk](mailto:james.garland@sunderland.gov.uk) (Tel. 0191 561 1158).