

St Albans and District Sustainable Community Strategy

Shaping our District together for 2021

Revised June 2009

Summary





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This is a summary of the Sustainable Community Strategy which has been produced by St Albans & District Local Strategic Partnership – a group of key local public, business and voluntary/community sector organisations working together to improve the quality of life for everyone in the District. The strategy sets out our vision for the District and what we need to do to make this vision a reality.

The partnership has made real progress in achieving its objectives since it produced the last strategy in 2007. But we know there is more to do and new challenges have emerged for the District. We have therefore recently revised the strategy and this summary gives you an overview of the key messages.

Our vision

A progressive, unique and vibrant District, which values its environment, heritage and culture, and cares for the future: an outstanding place to live where everyone can flourish.

Our priorities

- Ensuring the District is a great place to be
- Creating a diverse and sustainable economy for the 21st century
- Keeping the District healthy
- Supporting an active community that has pride in itself and cares for its future



Targeting the gaps

Many organisations and partnerships in the District are already working to address these priorities. However, the Local Strategic Partnership (LSP) has identified a number of gaps where priorities are unlikely to be met by existing plans and activities (see below). For these we will either take on the role as lead partner or seek specific activity from existing partners.



Identified gaps:-

- Providing accessible facilities and activities for young people
- Helping to build the capacity of the voluntary and community sector to provide preventative and support services
- Encouraging and promoting community engagement and participation
- Promoting sustainable local economic development
- Meeting the needs of an ageing population
- Reducing our impact on the environment
- Reducing inequalities

Our focus is now on delivery. By October 2009 we will publish detailed project plans which set out the practical steps the LSP will take to fill these gaps and help make our vision a reality.

For a full version of the strategy visit www.stalbanslsp.org.uk or contact the LSP co-ordinator by email info@stalbanlsp.org.uk or telephone **01727 819349**.



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