



Halton Strategic **PARTNERSHIP**

WNF Proposed Project Directory for 2008/09

URBAN RENEWAL THEMATIC PARTNERSHIP

Project Name:	Widnes Waterfront Economic Development Zone
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Project Description:	
<p>The Widnes Waterfront Economic Development Zone is a regionally significant Merseyside gateway development. It has a substantial role to play in the delivery of a quantum economic uplift of economic activity for the North West region and for Merseyside. The Widnes Waterfront will become a high quality environment for commercial and industrial development by transforming an 80 hectare, low quality industrial area in southern Widnes into a major regional gateway development, which will be highly visible from the New Mersey Crossing and will take advantage of its excellent waterside location.</p>	
Project Name:	Town Centres Improvements
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Project Description:	

The funding allocated for 2007-08 will be spent on:

- A further Commercial Property Renewal Grant scheme for Widnes and Runcorn Town Centres. This is as a result of the success of the previous two years;
- The acquisition of 'Key Building' to deal with difficult/derelict properties in both town centres and/or the acquisition of sites that are key to the regeneration of the town centres;
- Minor improvement works to the town centres;
- Promoting the town centres and the regeneration/redevelopment work taking place;
- Input into the completion of the removal of the Brindley Mound.

Project Name: **SITES PURCHASES**

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Project Description:

The acquisition of 'key buildings'; to deal with difficult/derelict properties in the borough, but especially in the town centres.

NRF funding will aid the wider regeneration of Runcorn Old Town and more specifically the Canal Quarter in the year 2007/08.

Project Name: **Landlord Accreditation Scheme**

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Provide a Brief Description of the Project: (No More Than 400 Words)

The project will fund for 2007/08 the post of Landlord Accreditation Officer and the associated costs in establishing a Halton Accreditation Scheme. This scheme will offer accreditation to landlords that meet certain minimum standards in terms of housing conditions and management practices. Through inspection, meetings, newsletters and training, the scheme will seek to encourage landlords to improve their practices and to become more socially responsible by recognising the impact that their property management can have on local communities.

Project Name:	CONTAMINATED LAND
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Project Description:	
<p>The borough has a serious problem with contaminated land left over from the Victorian chemical industry. This project has been set up to help other projects get up and running by providing funding for initial surveys, design works, feasibility studies and minor works. These are required in the early days of a project before the main grant funding from other agencies becomes available and, without NRF support, it is doubtful that we could secure funding from other agencies.</p>	
Project Name:	Business Parks Improvement Programme (BPIP)
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Project Description:	
<p>The BPIP will continue to work with all businesses located on Astmoor, Halebank and Riverview Industrial Estate in order to continue regenerating these areas. Although the BPIP has operated within the Widnes Waterfront through the delivery of the BIA Scheme, the programme will also seek to establish a 'Wider Widnes Waterfront Business Steering Group' to: complement the regeneration activities already being implemented by Major Projects; improve communication between businesses, landowners, developers and HBC; and, to resolve any pertinent estate-wide issues identified within the area.</p>	

Don't have any information yet from UR colleagues regarding projects
Castlefields Employment Initiative, Victoria Road Study