

Our Swindon ♦ Our Community ♦ Our Future

A Community Strategy for Swindon, 2004–2010

Third young people's Draft

Version 3

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To make a place where people are proud to spend time,
live, work and visit and which makes a better quality of
life for everyone

Making sure Swindon people get a great quality of life

Introduction to the Community Strategy

A Community Strategy is a plan of how everyone is going to work together to make things better. Every area has to have one.

This community strategy has been written by Swindon Strategic Partnership. It looks at 6 main areas and 26 important subjects within those areas. These subjects need to overlap in some places to work well.



**Swindon
Strategic
Partnership**

This is a partnership which brings together people from Swindon Borough Council, the police, learning, health, town & parish councils and people from business, voluntary and community groups. They all work together to try and make Swindon a better place to live.

Key facts about the Swindon borough area

There are lots of good things about Swindon.

Swindon has:

- almost 181,000 people
- people from different cultures and countries.
- lots of work, shopping, leisure and community facilities. It has excellent transport links.
- low unemployment
- good schools as well as plans to build new ones.
- lots of good places to go and things to do in your spare time.
- good country parks and it's close to the countryside.
- a lot of good local history

What you have told us so far

To make the Community Strategy right, there have been a lot of people asked about what is important to them to make Swindon a great place to live.

Swindon people told us that these things are important:

Creating a Swindon for the future

A healthy and caring place

An economically prosperous place

A learning and creative place

[please note the young people struggled with this concept and would ask the strategic partnership to suggest alternatives]

A place which values its environment

Keeping Swindon safe

You also told us that there are values that are part of all the important things and must be remembered. These are:



Being proud to be Swindon



Making sure things will last



Everyone being treated fairly and having the chance to take part



Everyone working together

We are going to check with the people of Swindon regularly to make sure these are still OK and to make sure we haven't missed anything and when we add new things.

We will make sure we change the strategy as we go to show how Swindon changes.

The next two pages are a guide to the most important themes and values







Some of the people responsible for making these things happen are the people in charge of: *note young people wanted these well-spaced and in different colours utilising logos wherever possible*

Swindon Borough Council

The New Swindon Company

English Partnerships
Agency

South West Regional Development

Swindon Legal Services Partnership

Great Western Enterprise

Swindon & Wiltshire Rural Regeneration Partnership

Business Link Berkshire & Wiltshire

New & Swindon Colleges

Oxford Brookes, Bath and West of England Universities

Town & Parish Councils

Social Enterprise Wiltshire

Great Western Community Forest
Partners

North Wessex Downs Council of

Wiltshire Wildlife Trust

Environment Agency

Swindon & Marlborough NHS Trust

Swindon Primary Care Trust

Avon & Wiltshire Mental Health NHS Trust

Learning & Skills Council Wiltshire & Swindon

Education Partnership Board

Wiltshire Constabulary

Wiltshire Fire Brigade

voluntary and community groups.

If you would like to know more about this plan or look at all the different targets, you can contact:

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