

# Community Asset Transfer – Case Study 1



### Better Use of Community Resources - Lindale Hall, Mosley Common

Asset Transfer of former Adult Services Centre to Community Hub

### The Issues

- Adult Service Day Centre underused
- Operated by Adults Service paid caretaker offering limited activities
- Lack of community facilities in area – no specific community building
- Statistically one of the most isolated areas within the borough
- Lots of community based services required but not available in the area
- Caretaker due to retire June 2016

### The Journey

To provide a self-sustainable community hub to serve the whole community, retain current services and bring much needed new projects and activities for all the community under one roof including:

- Luncheon Club
- Educational courses
- Befriending group for socially isolated
- Meeting room hire
- Arts and drama club
- Children's services
- Exercise classes
- Educational courses
- Credit Union
- Breakfast & after –school club
- Craft/local produce fairs
- Community events

### What was achieved

Beehive Community Group formed with members from local community

Transfer of asset to group – group membership now increased and working in partnership with local stakeholders and Mosley Common Community Group

Usage of asset increased from 15 to over 60 hours per week

Funds of £5,000 attracted to date

Income of £2000 generated within first 2 months of handover from a new range of activities including:

- Social activities, health and wellbeing activities and
- confidence building courses
- Community events
- Luncheon Clubs
- Exercise classes

*With our skills & expertise we are able to highlight capabilities of the community in managing and maintaining the centre*



Process from start to Asset Transfer took 4 months



# Community Asset Transfer – Case Study 2

## The Project

## The Deal



### Platt Lane Bowling Green, Hindley

To transfer Bowling Green facility to a local group managed by volunteers

Asset Transfer of Bowling Green and Pavillion

### The Issues

- Part of the Councils Assets & Accommodation Savings Programme
- Council needs to save £???? a year from its sports pitch maintenance budget
- Lack of investment could lead to decline in the high quality of facilities
- No local authority funding available to undertake necessary improvements

### The Journey

- The local bowling club wanted to improve the state of the Green and surrounding facilities. Consultation between local bowling clubs
- Expression of interest from several local bowling members to get together and form new group
- Formal Expression of Interest submitted for transfer of asset

### What was achieved

- Formation of new Group consisting of members of local bowling clubs – Membership of group increased now up to 40
- Increased usage of the Green and Pavilion outside of existing Bowling season
- Investment in to maintenance of the Green
- Environmental improvements to surrounding landscape
- External funding being sought with support from Bowling Green Association
- Pursuing opportunities to Increase programme of activities to include: Young people, wider community members

*Several members of our committee have been involved in the management of assets etc. of other organisations in a professional capacity and in a voluntary capacity. All have a lifetime of experience in the maintenance of their own properties and gardens. In addition, we have in our group expertise and knowledge of green-keeping and running of bowling clubs*



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