



## Programme Director's Report: July - September 2007

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### 1. Programme Progress

#### Profile

This will take place 17/18 October 2007. To date 6 people have applied with at least a further 4 applications expected. Ideally we would like to get the group to 15. If you wish to nominate a member of staff or indeed know someone who would benefit from the programme please let us know.

#### South Yorkshire Focus (Barnsley, Rotherham and Doncaster)

The programme started in June and is going well. The group are strong and lively and more than willing to challenge. The decision to merge the programmes is proving a success.

#### Graduate Connect

This will take place 19 September at Magna on the theme of transport. Bookings are going well with over 75 confirmed to date. Please let us know if you wish to attend.

#### Sheffield Focus

This will commence in February 2008. Recruitment has started in earnest and we are encouraging the majority of applications to be with us by November. Below is a sample of just some of the meetings that have taken/due to take place:

Taylor Wimpey Body Shop Sheffield Children's Hospital Sheffield Chamber Doncaster Racecourse DfES South Sheffield Partnership Yorkshire South Tourism CPS PricewaterhouseCoopers Lambert Smith Hampton Showroom	Bridon International LSC Meadowhall SENTA Music Factory University of Sheffield Relocate 2 Sheffield Sewell Moorhouse Hallam FM Barnsley PCT Sheffield Forgemasters Jobcentre Plus	BeSY Rotherham Chamber Marks and Spencer Creative Space Made in Sheffield Yorkshire Forward Doncaster Dome Sheffield First Gripple Beatson Clark South Sheffield Partnership Age Concern
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### 2. South Yorkshire Staff

As you know Emma recently left our team to work for Julia Fell. We have decided not to replace Emma. This decision will be reviewed in the autumn.

### **3. 20:20**

20:20 is Common Purpose's programme that brings together senior leaders from across the UK to examine the drivers that will change our society over the next 20 years. Participants explore how these drivers will affect them, their organisations and the wider community. The next programme will take place 29 October – 2 November 2007.

### **4. Your Turn**

As you know initial discussions have taken place with LEA's across South Yorkshire about the possibility of bringing Your Turn, Common Purpose for Year 9 in schools, to South Yorkshire. Sheffield, Barnsley and Rotherham are particularly keen to progress this.

In Sheffield all secondary schools have been written to by the chair of the secondary headteachers association in order to gauge interest in the programme. To date 16 schools have responded positively. The pleasing thing is that the 16 represent the most diverse mix of schools. We are now working on securing funding, hopefully through Legi, in order to launch the first Sheffield programme before the end of the year.

Rotherham has agreed funding for the next 3 years. The programme will be open to all secondary schools. The first one will run during 2008.

In Barnsley we are working on a pilot programme, which will run before the end of the year. If this is successful it will be used to market future programmes.

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