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Derby City Partnership Week 2005 Monday 27 June – Sunday 3 July

Derby City Partnership celebrates its 10th Anniversary in Derby City Partnership Week from Monday 27 June – Sunday 3 July. Ten years ago, it was unimaginable that around £160 million of additional funding would be brought into the city and that over 800 people representing business, public services and community and voluntary groups would be working together, pooling resources to improve services in Derby. A decade later, Derby City Partnership has become a success story and is just getting warmed up.

The week starts with *Celebrate!* a full and fun packed day at the Assembly Rooms including Derby's own Oscars – ten anniversary awards for local unsung heroes. On Thursday, *Innovations!* at the Gateway Centre highlights new ways of working that are impacting on Derby both now and in the future – from design to technology, community and health.

If you want information, advice, contacts or an opportunity to express your view or if your interest is debating, digging, drumming or dancing – give it a go and discover what members of Derby City Partnership are doing in the city.

With festivals, guided walks, behind the scenes tours, fun days, exhibitions, workshops and conferences there is something for everyone and most events are free. Events highlight what is being done in the city to improve the quality of life in Derby by organisations working in partnership under Derby City Partnership's main themes – education, community safety, health, culture, environment, economy and city centre development, neighbourhood renewal and external funding.

“In just a decade, Derby City Partnership has achieved so much and its members deserve our thanks and congratulations. As importantly, they deserve our support as they continue to build on this work for the future.” says Councillor Maurice Burgess, Chair of Derby City Partnership.

When Derby City Partnership was launched 10 years ago, residents were asked for their ideas for the future of Derby – now it’s your turn! Send your ideas to Box 2020, Derby DE1 1YL to arrive by 4 July. Derby City Partnership Board will consider the suggestions in September and a prize will be awarded for ambition, feasibility and future positive impact on Derby.

Enjoy the week– for one event or as many as you can! Put the dates in your diary and if you haven’t received a programme yet, contact Derby City Partnership for a copy, or look on the website www.derbyes.co.uk

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Derby City Partnership is an alliance of organisations working together to create a better Derby.

Members represent

- public services
- local businesses
- community and voluntary groups
- individuals who live or work in Derby.

Since 1995, Derby City Partnership has been working to:

- develop closer and better working between organisations
- improve services and facilities
- attract funding

- make best use of all resources
- bring the work of all partnerships in the city together

Derby City Partnership is also the Local Strategic Partnership, delivering the National Strategy for Neighbourhood Renewal in the most deprived neighbourhoods of the city.

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