

EXECUTIVE REPORT**FULL 21 06 05****BUSINESS GROWTH PORTFOLIO****COUNCILLOR JIM HEWITSON - PORTFOLIO HOLDER****MIKE TICHFORD - LEAD OFFICER****1 KEY ISSUES - PROGRESS REPORT****1.1 Egremont Market Town**

The new Market Town Programme Manager, Simon Walker has started employment on the 31 May and is now based in the Library in Egremont, he can be contacted on 01946 825546.

In addition a formal offer of approval for the Market Town Programme funding £871,385 has been received from the North West Development Agency which is allocated from 2005 until 31 March 2008, which is good news for the Egremont and Area Partnership.

Simon Walker is currently working on the first year delivery plan which once approved will allow project activity to commence, this is not anticipated until September 2008.

1.2 Millom Market Town

A formal offer of investment of £861,502 from the North West Development Agency has also been received for the Millom Market Town Programme, subject to contract, which will run from 2005 until 31 March 2008, which is good news for the Millom and Haverigg Regeneration Partnership.

Avinash Thakker is currently working on the first year delivery plan which once approved will allow project activity to commence, this is not anticipated until September 2008.

2 EXECUTIVE DECISIONS RECOMMENDED TO COUNCIL**None****3 EXECUTIVE DECISIONS REPORTED FOR INFORMATION ONLY****Subject** Cleator Moor Business Centre Service level Agreement 2005-06**Date of Decision:** 28 April 2005

Decision Reference: EXE/04/0203

Context: To consider the service Level Agreement for 2005-2006 for the Cleator Moor Business Centre

Decision

That a) the end of year Service Level Agreement Report be noted; and

b) the Service Level Agreement for 2005 – 2006 be approved.