

Projects the CRU is working on with local residents:

Resources

- The Community Chest and Community Learning Chest grants
- Loans scheme for people wanting to set up community enterprises e.g. food co-operative
- Help target groups with funding applications for grants
- Support through community finance initiatives e.g. Credit Union

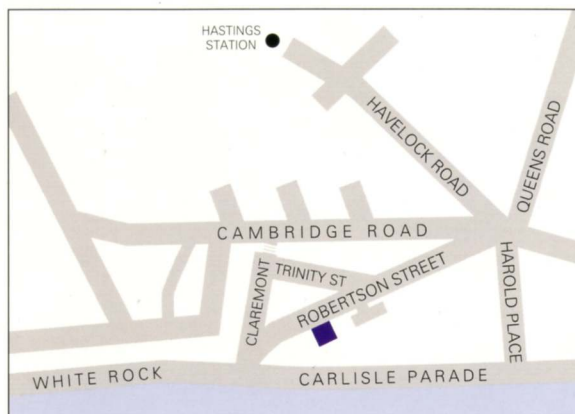
In the Community

- Work with residents to set up and develop community groups that address local needs
- Provide opportunities for local people to take part in social events and other community activities and participate in the regeneration of their area
- Work to strengthen targeted community organisations
- Build individual resident's confidence to access other regeneration projects
- Support residents and community groups to have a voice in their community

Building Communities

- Help groups to continue to run and involve more people
- Increase the use of community facilities by local residents
- Support more people to become and stay part of their community
- Develop projects and community business to address local needs

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About the Project

The Community Regeneration Unit (CRU) began working as a team in September 2002.

The Community Regeneration Unit is a pilot project, which will be the subject of evaluation and monitoring throughout its lifetime. It differs from current community development work because a whole team will concentrate its work intensively with individual residents and hard-to-reach communities in each area. The CRU will work in one ward for each year, starting with Central St Leonards.

Through community consultation and area based work, the following priority communities have been identified:

- Older people
- Residents looking to set up community businesses or move into employment
- Local black and minority ethnic groups
- Asylum seekers and refugees

The CRU works in partnership with community based regeneration workers from other agencies and key public, private, voluntary and community sector bodies to deliver the CRU's objectives and provide longer term support for communities worked with.

