

Press Release – Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> September:

“P.I.P, P.I.P HOORAY! – achievements for young people in South Gloucestershire.”

The Patchway Intervention Project (P.I.P) held its first Presentation Evening at the Casson Centre, Patchway on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> September.

P.I.P is run by Southern Brooks Community Partnership in the north of Bristol and covers Patchway, The Stokes and Thornbury. P.I.P provides support for children and young people who are experiencing difficulties at home, in school or within their local community. The programme accepts referrals from agencies across the Southern Brooks area who have concerns about 8 to 12 year olds. PIP provides individual support, through focused 1-2-1 work and/or small and large group activities, to help children and young people lead happier and safer lives and reach their full potential.

During the summer the P.I.P took the children on a number of activities and awards were given for positive progress and behaviour. Special guests for the night were Brian Wilson and Steve Brooker from Bristol City F.C who presented the awards.

The activities this summer included a raft making and kayaking session, archery and an overnight camping trip.

Corrina Wood, P.I.P Manager said,

“All the children we work with have problems which could manifest into offending behaviour and our aim is to help them get the best out of life by learning to make the right choices. We have had a very successful summer and this is a good way of showing the families, with whom we also work, how much effort their children put into the Project.”

*Southern Brooks Community Partnership operates many projects in the South Gloucestershire area aimed at building community spirit and empowering local people to improve their lives and the areas in which they live. Projects run regularly include a Family Support service, Youth Clubs and detached youth work teams, Toy Library and the Living Landmarks Campaign. For more information on Southern Brooks Community Partnership and it's projects, please call Julie Snelling (Director) on 01454 868570.*

