

MINUTES of MEETING of SOCIAL AFFAIRS THEMATIC CPP GROUP held in the COUNCIL CHAMBER, KILMORY, LOCHGILPHEAD on MONDAY, 8 NOVEMBER 2010

Present: Councillor Vivien Dance, Argyll and Bute Council (Chair)

Councillor Anne Horn, Argyll and Bute Council
Councillor David Kinniburgh, Argyll and Bute Council
Councillor Roderick McCuish, Argyll and Bute Council
Councillor Elaine Robertson, Argyll and Bute Council
Councillor James McQueen, Argyll and Bute Council
Cleland Sneddon, Executive Director – Customer Services, Argyll and Bute Council (Thematic Lead)
Superintendent Raymond Park, Strathclyde Police (Drugs and Alcohol Partnership)
Geoff Calvert, Strathclyde Fire and Rescue
Glenn Heritage, Third Sector
Derek Leslie, Argyll and Bute Community Health Partnership

Attending: Ken Macdonald, Area Customer Services Manager, Argyll and Bute Council
Eileen Wilson, Community Planning Manager
Audrey Martin, Planning/Development Manager, Argyll and Bute Council
Chris Shirley, Quality Standards Manager, Argyll and Bute Council
Simon Steer, Head of Community Care Integration, NHS Highland
Raymond Mcilquham, Area Manager, Adult Protection, Argyll and Bute Council

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were intimated from Councillor Mary Jean Devon, Chief Inspector Marlene Baillie, Strathclyde Police, David Price, Association of Community Councils and Eleanor MacKinnon, Third Sector.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None declared.

3. MINUTES

The Minutes of the Social Affairs Thematic CPP Group meeting held on 9 August 2010 were approved as a correct record.

4. MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES

None.

5. EDUCATION ATTAINMENT

Chris Shirley, Quality Standards Manager, Argyll and Bute Council gave a presentation to the Group on the Educational Attainment of pupils within Argyll and Bute Schools during 2010 in respect of Standard Grades, Highers and Advance Highers and compared these figures against those for 2008 and 2009 and against results for Angus, Dumfries and Galloway, Highland, Scottish Borders and South Ayrshire Councils and the national averages for Scotland. Information was also provided on the national tests undertaken by pupils aged 5 – 14 years and reference was made to the new examination system which will be introduced at a national level in 2013.

Chris also responded to a number of questions arising from his presentation.

Decision

1. Noted the contents of this presentation;
2. Noted that arrangements would be made to publish on the Education website the examination results for each subject once the outcome of the examination appeal process was known; and
3. Agreed that for a future meeting arrangements should be made to have a presentation by one of the schools given to the Group on how Partners have been able to contribute to the new Curriculum for Excellence.

(Reference: Presentation by Chris Shirley, Quality Standards Manager, Argyll and Bute Council)

6. EDUCATION REVIEW UPDATE

Cleland Sneddon, Executive Director – Community Services, Argyll and Bute Council and Thematic Lead for the Group outlined the process that has been undertaken in respect of the Education Review and the School Estate.

Decision

1. Noted that following a decision by the Council on 2 November 2010, the current information in the proposal documents in respect of merging 26 primary schools into 20 primary schools is being updated and will be presented to the Council on 25 November 2010 with a recommendation that the Council agree to go out to statutory consultation on these proposals;
2. Noted that no decision to close schools will be made on 25 November 2010; and
3. Agreed that all Partners should encourage involvement in the consultation.

7. INTEGRATED RESOURCE FRAMEWORK PROJECT UPDATE

Simon Steer, Head of Community Care Integration, NHS Highland, gave a very informative presentation on the Integrated Resource Framework (IRF) for Health and Social Care which is under development as part of a focus on Shifting the Balance of Care. The purpose is to enable partners in NHS Scotland and local authorities to be clearer about the cost and quality implications of local decision making about health and social care and the programme is being jointly developed by the Scottish Government, NHS Scotland and COSLA.

Simon also responded to a number of questions arising from his presentation.

Decision

1. Noted the contents of the presentation and that regular updates on the IRF would be reported through the Special Committee for Older Peoples' Services; and
2. Noted that it was aimed to go live with this Framework by April 2011.

(Reference: Presentation and Reports by Simon Steer, Head of Community Integration, NHS Highland, submitted)

Councillor Anne Horn left the meeting during discussion of the foregoing item.

8. JOINT PERFORMANCE UPDATE REPORT

Consideration was given to a document which was previously presented to the Argyll and Bute Strategic Health Partnership and provided information on an area by area basis in terms of joint performance as at August 2010 in respect of Delayed Discharges, Balance of Care for Older People, Integrated Occupational Therapy Services, Integrated Learning Disability Service and Integrated Substance Misuse Services.

Decision

Noted the contents of the report.

(Reference: Joint Performance Summary Report dated August 2010, submitted)

9. REAP - ISSUES TO RAISE AT CONSULTATION EVENT

Consideration was given to a report providing background information in relation to the proposed off shore wind and marine renewable development within Argyll and Bute.

The Renewable Energy Action Plan (REAP), which was approved by the CPP on 16 June 2010, was developed from a key action in the Argyll and Bute Community Plan 2009-2013 in order to facilitate a co-ordinated

partnership approach to renewable development in Argyll and Bute. In light of the implications on public sector resources from the onshore requirement from off shore wind and marine renewables the CPP Management Committee recommended the establishment of a sub group to look specifically at these implications. At the CPP Management Committee on 8 September 2010 it was agreed that planning and delivery of a CPP consultation event with the off shore wind developers and marine consenting authority, Marine Scotland be organised for the end of February 2011 and that in advance of this event, Thematic CPP Groups and Local Area Community Planning Groups be approached with a request that they give consideration to the questions that should be asked and issues that should be raised at this consultation event.

Decision

1. Agreed that Partners should give consideration to the questions and issues they would wish addressed at this consultation event and advise Audrey Martin, Senior Planning/Development Manager, Argyll and Bute Council or Eileen Wilson, Community Planning Manager, of these by the end of November 2010. Email: audrey.martin@argyll-bute.gov.uk or eileen.wilson@argyll-bute.gov.uk; and
2. Noted that Audrey would arrange to find out whether or not developers had to pay a bond up front for decommissioning of wind farms.

(Reference: Joint Reports by Senior Planning/Development Manager, Argyll and Bute Council and Community Planning Manager, submitted and tabled).

10. HIPAG HIGHLIGHT AND EXCEPTION REPORT

Consideration was given to a Highlight and Exception report prepared by the Health Improvement Planning and Performance Action Group in respect of the CPP Outcome within the Community Plan – CP 08: Overall health, wellbeing and independence and social inclusions are improved.

Decision

1. Noted the activity being undertaken by HIPAG to achieve health improvement outcomes across Argyll and Bute and that this will continue to be reported to the Social Affairs Thematic CPP Group on a quarterly basis; and
2. Noted that similar highlight and exception reports will be presented on a quarterly basis to the Social Affairs Thematic CPP Group by the other Argyll and Bute Strategic Partnerships with remits relevant to Social Affairs.

(Reference: Highlight and Exception Report by HIPAG, submitted)

11. INTEGRATION OF STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP GROUPS

Consideration was given to the current list of Argyll and Bute Strategic Partnerships which was last updated in December 2009.

Decision

1. Agreed that the Drugs and Alcohol Partnership should be added to the list of Argyll and Bute Strategic Partnerships;
2. Agreed that an additional column should be added identifying the CP Outcomes within the Community Plan that each Strategic Partnership is involved with; and
3. Agreed that if Partners wished to make any further amendments to this list these should be emailed to Eileen Wilson by the end of November 2010 email: eileen.wilson@argyll-bute.gov.uk.

(Reference: List of Argyll and Bute Strategic Partnerships dated December 2009, submitted)

12. 3RD SECTOR REPRESENTATION ON THE ARGYLL AND BUTE ADULT PROTECTION COMMITTEE

A report identifying the need for 3rd Sector representation on the Argyll and Bute Adult Protection Committee was considered.

Decision

1. Agreed to refer this report to the 3rd Sector Partnership for consideration with a view to a nomination being made at that meeting; and
2. Agreed that the Argyll and Bute Adult Protection Committee should be added to the list of Argyll and Bute Strategic Partnerships.

(Reference: Report by Area Manager, Adult Protection, Argyll and Bute Council, submitted)

13. SCORECARD DEVELOPMENT UPDATE

Cleland Sneddon tabled a revised version of the Social Affairs 2010/11 Scorecard which reflected all the changes that had been agreed at the previous Social Affairs Thematic CPP Group meeting in August.

Decision

Noted the information that had still to be populated into the Scorecard and agreed that Partners should arrange for this further information to be provided and to advise of any further amendments they wished made to the Scorecard as soon as possible.

(Reference: Social Affairs New 2010/11 Scorecard, tabled)

14. ACCESS TO PYRAMID FOR PARTNERS - UPDATE ON PILOT PROJECT

Progress with arrangements to enable Partners to access the Council's Performance Management System, Pyramid was discussed.

Decision

1. Noted that three Officers from NHS Highland had access to Pyramid; and
2. Agreed that this item should remain on the agenda of future meetings of the Social Affairs Thematic CPP Group.

15. THEMATIC GROUP CHAIR REPORT TO CPP MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

As part of the Social Affairs Thematic Group Partnership Agreement, the Group must report to the Argyll and Bute Community Planning Management Committee on a two monthly basis and to the Argyll and Bute Community Planning Partnership on a four monthly basis.

Decision

Noted that Ken Macdonald, Area Customer Services Manager, Argyll and Bute Council would prepare the next scheduled report on behalf of the Group.

16. FUTURE WORK PROGRAMME AND MEETING DATES

It had previously been agreed that the Social Affairs Thematic CPP Group would meet four times per year in February, May, August and November and consideration was given to the dates of meetings to be held between April 2011 and March 2012.

Decision

Agreed that the Social Affairs Thematic CPP Group would meet on the following dates during 2011/2012:-

Monday 9 May 2011

Monday 22 August 2011

Monday 7 November 2011

Monday 13 February 2012