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NOTICE OF MEETING

A meeting of the **SOCIAL AFFAIRS THEMATIC CPP GROUP** will be held in the **COUNCIL CHAMBER, KILMORY, LOCHGILPHEAD** on **MONDAY, 14 FEBRUARY 2011** at **10:00 AM**, which you are requested to attend.

Douglas Hendry
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BUSINESS

1. **APOLOGIES OF ABSENCE**
2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (IF ANY)**
3. **MINUTES**
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4. **MATTERS ARISING**
 - CHP Access to Pyramid Pilot
 - HIPPAAG Outcome Measure
5. **BUDGET SETTLEMENT REPORT**
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6. **STRATEGIC HOUSING INVESTMENT PLAN**
Presentation by Moira MacVicar, Housing Services Manager
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Presentation by Glenn Heritage, Third Sector
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- 9. DEVELOPMENT OF TELECARE AND NIGHTTIME HOME CARE SERVICE**
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 - 10. CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND LICENSING (SCOTLAND) ACT 2010 COMMUNITY PAYBACK ORDERS**
Report by Jon Belton, Service Manager – Criminal Justice (Pages 25 - 28)
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 - 12. INTEGRATION OF STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP GROUPS**
Report by Eileen Wilson, Community Planning Manager (Pages 29 - 32)
 - 13. COMMUNITY PLAN/SINGLE OUTCOME AGREEMENT DEVELOPMENT**
Verbal update from Eileen Wilson, Community Planning Manager
 - 14. PARTNER UPDATES AND JOINT WORKING REQUESTS**
Verbal updates from all Partners

SOCIAL AFFAIRS THEMATIC CPP GROUP

Councillor Vivien Dance
 Councillor Anne Horn
 Councillor John McAlpine
 Councillor James McQueen
 Cleland Sneddon, ABC (Thematic Lead)
 Jim Robb, ABC
 Ken Macdonald, ABC
 Marlene Baillie, Strathclyde Police
 Derek Leslie, NHS Highland
 Eleanor MacKinnon, Third Sector
 Eileen Wilson, Community Planning Manager

Councillor Mary-Jean Devon
 Councillor David Kinniburgh
 Councillor Roderick McCuish
 Councillor Elaine Robertson
 Dougie Dunlop, ABC
 Moira MacVicar, ABC
 Glenn Heritage, Third Sector
 Geoff Calvert, Strathclyde Fire & Rescue
 David Price, Assoc of Community Councils
 Gregg McMillan, Strathclyde Fire & Rescue

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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. HIPPIAG 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 HIPPIAG 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 HIPPIAG, 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



Strategic Partnership Highlight & Exception Report

Strategic Partnership (Name of Partnership you are reporting on)	ARGYL & BUTE STRATEGIC HOUSING & COMMUNITIES FORUM
CPP Thematic Group (i.e Economy, Environment or Social Affairs)	SOCIAL AFFAIRS
CPP Outcome (please select – you can select more than one outcome)	<p> <input type="checkbox"/> CPP/CP01 – competitive and successful businesses </p> <p> <input type="checkbox"/> CPP/CP02 – sustainable economic assets </p> <p> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CPP/CP03 – vibrant towns that are centres of economic growth </p> <p> <input type="checkbox"/> CPP/CP04 – promoting our cultural, social and natural heritage </p> <p> <input type="checkbox"/> CPP/CP05 – Utilising our environment to create employment and prosperity </p> <p> <input type="checkbox"/> CPP/CP06 – Protecting our unique area </p> <p> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CPP/CP07 – services are planned and delivered based on local need </p> <p> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CPP/CP08 – overall health, wellbeing, independence and social inclusion are improved </p> <p> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CPP/CP09 – people feel safe and secure </p> <p> <input type="checkbox"/> CPP/CP010 – our diverse culture is celebrated </p>

Activity Summary in Period

(please state period you are reporting on)

April – October 2010

The Forum met formally on 3 occasions in this period, and convened additional dedicated strategic planning workshops focussing on the development of the local housing strategy (LHS) and the Housing Need and Demand Assessment (HNDA).

Activities & outputs in 2010/11, to date include:

- Overseeing and approving development of local HNDA for whole authority area;
- Participation in stakeholder consultation/workshop events – including dedicated particular needs event and presentations to LACPGs;
- Completion of 93 affordable homes (124% over annual target) all of which were designed to Housing for Varying Needs standard and included 4 wheelchair units;
- Approved Strategic Housing Investment Plan, 2010;
- Strengthened Housing, Health & Social Work partnership;
- Oversaw improved house conditions in social rented sector (via SHQS compliance) and in private sector (via BTS improvement aid);
- Increased opportunities for independent living through the provision of disabled grants in private sector;
- Continued to promote Home Energy Efficiency partnership working and supported Council's successful bid for additional investment of £520,000 in home insulation schemes across Argyll

	<p>& Bute;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Secured investment in local communities of: over £11m via Strategic Housing Fund; £794k via Private Sector Housing Grant; and £14.396m via the Scottish Government's AHIP; • Debated Scottish Government's Housing Policy paper "Fresh Thinking, New ideas" and submitted response; • Supported Council's successful bid for £10k to facilitate engagement with disabled stakeholders in a co-production pilot for the revision of the LHS; • Continued to monitor the Homeless Service Improvement Plan; • Enhanced partnership working between RSLs and Strathclyde Fire & Safety;
Key Challenges & Actions to Address	<p>Key challenge remains the significant reductions in core investment in housing and housing support, including AHIP and PSHG, particularly in light of the level and scope of unmet need and demand identified in the HNDA.</p> <p>Meeting statutory obligations (such as homelessness targets) increases pressure on limited resources while acute and increasing needs of most vulnerable will require further prioritisation and effective strategic planning. Housing service review underway and partners progressing proposals for streamlining procurement of new build.</p>
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Date	10 January 2011

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Strategic Partnership Highlight & Exception Report

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CPP Thematic Group (i.e Economy, Environment or Social Affairs)	
CPP Outcome (please select – you can select more than one outcome)	<p><input type="checkbox"/> CPP/CP01 – competitive and successful businesses</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CPP/CP02 – sustainable economic assets</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> CPP/CP03 – vibrant towns that are centres of economic growth</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CPP/CP04 – promoting our cultural, social and natural heritage</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> CPP/CP05 – Utilising our environment to create employment and prosperity</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CPP/CP06 – Protecting our unique area</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CPP/CP07 – services are planned and delivered based on local need</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CPP/CP08 – overall health, wellbeing, independence and social inclusion are improved</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> CPP/CP09 – people feel safe and secure</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> CPP/CP010 – our diverse culture is celebrated</p>

<p>Activity Summary in Period (please state period you are reporting on)</p>	<p>Partnership work with Health and 3rd Sector, establishing Parenting Programmes, Early Literacy (ICan and Bookbug), X-Programme. Continue joint working with developing integrated services. Workforce development. Developing a strategic integrated approach to implementation of the Early Years Framework and supporting equally well in achieving our potential. Raising the awareness of partnership working in with Curriculum for Excellence. Supporting and developing a professional workforce to meet registration requirements. Partnership working with FEI and Stramash to develop Forest Schools. Continue development of Gaelic Language across Early Years Services.</p>
<p>Key Challenges & Actions to Address</p>	<p>Limitations of funding. Re-structuring of council services and personnel change. Continued action plan Girfec Planning Group requires to establish an action plan to continue partnership working to provide the outcomes of the key policy document.</p>
<p>Name</p>	<p>Anne Paterson</p>
<p>Date</p>	<p>11.1.2011</p>

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Strategic Partnership Highlight & Exception Report

Argyll and Bute
community planning partnership

Strategic Partnership (Name of Partnership you are reporting on)	Child Protection Committee
CPP Thematic Group (i.e Economy, Environment or Social Affairs)	Social Affairs
CPP Outcome (please select – you can select more than one outcome)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> CPP/CP01 – competitive and successful businesses <input type="checkbox"/> CPP/CP02 – sustainable economic assets <input type="checkbox"/> CPP/CP03 – vibrant towns that are centres of economic growth <input type="checkbox"/> CPP/CP04 – promoting our cultural, social and natural heritage <input type="checkbox"/> CPP/CP05 – Utilising our environment to create employment and prosperity <input type="checkbox"/> CPP/CP06 – Protecting our unique area <input type="checkbox"/> CPP/CP07 – services are planned and delivered based on local need <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CPP/CP08 – overall health, wellbeing, independence and social inclusion are improved <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CPP/CP09 – people feel safe and secure <input type="checkbox"/> CPP/CP010 – our diverse culture is celebrated

<p>Activity Summary in Period (please state period you are reporting on)</p>	<p>During the Period November 2010-February 2011</p> <p>Main Activity</p> <p>Continuing to take forward the priorities outlined in the Child Protection Committee Integrated Business and Improvement Plan. Building a portfolio of self evaluation to evidence how well children and young people in Argyll & Bute are protected and their needs met.</p> <p>Reporting to all partners on the national developments in child protection, research findings and messages from public inquiries, update knowledge and increase confidence in early identification and reporting of concerns.</p> <p>Support the delivery of the CPC training strategy.</p>
<p>Key Challenges & Actions to Address</p>	<p>Ensure robust evidence of continuous improvement in the delivery of child protection services across the authority by engaging with members of the public and partner agencies in preparation for a positive inspection of child protection services in May 2011.</p> <p>Building stronge links with Adult and Public Protection by updating our website and launching Act to Keep Safe Events across the authority.</p>
<p>Name</p>	<p>Liz Strang CPC Lead Officer</p>
<p>Date</p>	<p>19th January 2011.</p>

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Activity Summary in Period (please state period you are reporting on)	October – December 2010 Argyll & Bute’s Children oversees the development of integrated children services and during this period has been leading on the implementation of GIRFEC and service reviews in respect of: vulnerable young people, children with additional needs, early years, looked after children.
Key Challenges & Actions to Address	The successful implementation of GIRFEC will require endorsement and strategic support from all agencies. Implementation of service reviews are being overseen by distinct strategies. The whole partnership is directed by the Integrated Children’s Service Plan.
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Date	07/01/11

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<p>Activity Summary in Period (please state period you are reporting on)</p>	<p>April 2010 to January 2011</p> <p>The Strategic Community Safety Partnership and the five area based Community Safety Partnerships are working to achieve outcomes to make people feel safe and secure by addressing the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Town Centre Alcohol Related Disorder and Violence • Vandalism and Criminal Damage within Towns and Neighbourhoods • Anti Social Behaviour in Towns and Neighbourhoods – noise, alcohol, drugs and neighbour disputes • Road Safety • Littering, Dog Fouling, Fly Tipping and Graffiti • Personal Safety of Vulnerable Groups – elderly and young people
<p>Key Challenges & Actions to Address</p>	<p>Examples of actions to address these are:</p> <p>Multi agency case meetings to resolve anti social behaviour complaints via problem solving approach and joint action by partners using preventative and enforcement measures including provisions within Anti Social Behaviour legislation.</p> <p>High visibility Policing of town centre hotspots, licensed premises visits and enforcement of licensing standards, deployment of mobile cctv cameras to address vandalism and anti social behaviour. Test purchasing and retailer initiatives to prevent illegal sales of alcohol and tobacco.</p> <p>Home Fire Safety visits to vulnerable residents and experiential learning events for elderly residents to address home and personal safety. Junior Environment Warden’s initiative for primary age children. Internet Safety and Prevention of Sexual Bullying for pupils S3-S6 by TESSA project.</p> <p>Promotion of Road Safety via school initiatives and DRIVE SAFE. Road Policing responses. Targeting of key groups e.g. motorcyclists through initiatives such as Strathclyde Fire and Rescue Bikers Breakfast.</p> <p>The impact of activities is assessed using both quantitative and qualitative indicators including recorded incidents, public perception surveys and feedback from community engagement initiatives.</p> <p>Key challenges do exist in relation to measuring impact and achievement of outcomes due to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Availability of data and data timeliness given that delivery involves a range of partners

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consistency of data over time and ability to meaningfully compare data sets over varying time periods. <p>This is recognised and work is ongoing to further develop the monitoring and evaluation framework. This includes participation in a national level initiative to develop local outcome indicators for Community Safety.</p>
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Criminal Justice and Licensing (Scotland) Act 2010
Community Payback Orders

1. SUMMARY

The above Act effects the most profound change to the supervision of offenders in the community since the introduction of National Objectives and Standards and ring fenced funding in the 1990s and arguably since the Social Work Scotland Act 1968. The familiar landscape of Probation and Community Service will disappear (gradually) along with Supervised Attendance Orders, to be replaced by Community Payback Orders offering courts a suite of options incorporating many of the features of Probation, CS and SAO. These changes, alongside a presumption against custodial sentences of three months or less, reflect the legislative response to the recommendations of the report of the Scottish Prisons Commission (2008).

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 To note the issues involved in the development and implementation of the Community Payback Orders

3. DETAIL

- 3.1. In June 2008, Scotland's prison commission led by Henry McLeish published a wide-ranging review of penal policy, recommending key changes, including those on short sentences. The Government's response has led to the Criminal Justice and Licensing (Scotland) Act 2010 which will come into force on the 1st February 2011. The Act will bring about a coherent penal policy with a more streamlined sentencing regime to replace, what was seen as, an unnecessarily complex range of sentencing options not readily understood by the public.
- 3.2. The Act introduces Community Payback Orders (CPOs), replacing existing sentencing options, to create a robust and consistently delivered community sentence which enjoys public confidence, credibility with judges and requires individuals to make payback to the community by means of reparation, changing offending behaviour and provide opportunities to reintegrate themselves into society as law-abiding and contributing citizens.
- 3.3. The act introduces a presumption against custodial sentences of three months or less. This will bring an increase in community based sentences. Criminal justice social work business is predicted to rise by 10 - 20%.

- 3.4. The Act also introduces a requirement for local authorities to produce an annual report on the operation of CPOs and to consult with “prescribed persons” (wide ranging representatives of professional bodies and the public) regarding the nature and conduct of unpaid work (previously known as Community Service).
- 3.5. A CPO is to be a generic term for a suite of sentencing options available to the court. In principle their purpose is to facilitate:
 - *Reparation* - restoring responsibility for harm through making amends,
 - *Reintegration* - restoring relationships and opportunities and strengthening external protective factors.
 - *Rehabilitation* – restoring self awareness, responsibility, skills and internal controls, and where required
 - *Restriction* - restoring public safety and boundaries
- 3.6. A CPO will contain one or more of the following 9 requirements:
 - Supervision requirement
 - Unpaid work and other activity requirement
 - Programme requirement
 - Residence requirement
 - Drug treatment requirement
 - Alcohol treatment requirement
 - Compensation requirement.
 - Conduct requirement
- 3.7. The above requirements rely on greater use of the third sector organisations such as drug and alcohol groups, multi-agency involvement, and will establish longer term contact with support services based within the community that will last beyond the period of sentence.
- 3.8. Unpaid work will play a key role in offenders “paying back” to society for their behaviour. Unpaid work schemes will take on more visible projects and will improve public consultation on the range of tasks that will benefit the wider community. The public will see that offenders are making restitution to the community and offenders will have their reparative efforts recognised.
- 3.9. To support the introduction of Community Payback the Scottish Government has provided new “*National Outcome and Standards for Social Work Services in the Criminal Justice System*”, and operational guidance in respect of CPOs, a Criminal Justice Social Work Report (CJSWR) format, which replaces the old Social Enquiry Report, to assist sentencers, and Throughcare guidance for working with prisoners. The Government has also introduced a nationally agreed risk assessment tool called the Level of Service/Case Management Inventory (LS/CMI).
- 3.10. The new Standards and Guidance focus heavily on “immediacy and speed”; that Orders are served quickly (within 1 day), supervision/unpaid work is started within 7 days, and, in respect of unpaid work, orders are

completed within a maximum of 6 months. Electronic transfer of court information has been developed and local arrangements with the Courts revised to facilitate these matters.

- 3.11. All Argyll and Bute Criminal Justice staff have now been trained in the new standards, operational guidance and risk assessment tool and are prepared for the implementation of the Act.
- 3.12. The Criminal Justice Partnership of Argyll and Bute and East & West Dunbartonshire has undertaken a review of its service to ensure current resources are best placed to meet the demands of the Act and CPO.
- 3.13. At present there is no extra funding offered by the government in respect of the roll out of CPO and as such any resources to support the predicted increase in workload must be found from within the current budget i.e. via efficiency savings. All criminal justice services are predicting difficulties in effectively delivering CPO's within the current financial restrictions and are deploying stringent prioritisation and efficiency strategies.
- 3.14. The introduction of Community Payback Orders and new Standards comes at a challenging time however this radical shake up is welcomed by Criminal Justice Services - practitioners and managers alike present as highly motivated though share concerns about the lack of resources.

4. CONCLUSION

- 4.1. The Criminal Justice and Licensing (Scotland) Act 2010 will provide a cohesive framework of community based sentencing, replacing existing complex structures that will be more easily understood by the community and will focus on the principle of the offender "paying back" to the community for his/her behaviour. Payback will take the form of reparation, reintegration, rehabilitation and restriction. The Act will also reduce the number of offenders serving short-term prison sentences and there will be seen a subsequent increase in work for the community based criminal justice social work services.
- 4.2. The Act provides for greater involvement of the community in respect of reparation made via unpaid work
- 4.3. A new set of national standards and practice guidelines support the new Act and provide direction for the criminal justice services into the future. There is considerable motivation towards the Community Payback Order from criminal justice services.
- 4.4. The next few years will be a challenge within current resource constraints, especially as there are some crucial "unknowns" in respect of increasing workloads and responses by sentencers. However, as best as can be achieved, Argyll and Bute Criminal Justice Services are prepared for the implementation of the Act on 1st February 2011.

5. IMPLICATIONS

Policy – The new order is consistent with council policies in respect of strengthening and developing our communities

Financial – The Argyll and Bute Criminal Justice Service is funded, as part of a Partnership with East and West Dunbartonshires, through a specific grant from the Scottish Government administered by the North Strathclyde Community Justice Authority. The Partnership arrangement is that any overspend is split equally between the three Local Authorities. The Partnership is expected to operate within budget, and efficiency savings to cover the new arrangements are being implemented. The Partnership, along with most CJ services, across the country will make representation to the Government via its funding administrators as the funding implications of the orders becomes clearer.

Legal – Services to offenders continue to be provided via the Social Work (Scotland) Act 1968 Section 27 and there are no changes in this arrangement. The new Act brings a statutory responsibility for the Local Authority to annually report on the operations of CPO (the format has yet to be determined) and consultation with a range of prescribed stakeholders.

Personnel – Three paraprofessional staff members are subject to changes in job description and duties - currently going through job evaluation. Other restructuring of resources has been achieved through opportunities provided by vacancies.

Equal Opportunities - None

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