Report to Community Planning Partnership Management Committee by Health and Well Being Theme Group Wednesday 8th February 2006

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Sadly this group has recently lost its Chair with the departure of Gavin Brown. The group reflected on the progress that had been made during his time as Chair and were very grateful for his significant input and guidance. Josephine Stojak was welcomed as acting Chair until the new appointment is made.

Additional allocations from Health Improvement Fund made on 7 December 2005

Drug and Alcohol Action Planning Day
Integration of Regeneration Outcome Agreement with JHIP (Bute)

£500
Expansion and Development of Befriending Scheme (Cowal)

£11,187.50

The group received an update on Choose Life action Plan 2003-06. Key achievements were awareness raising and training. Areas highlighted for future work were increasing integration of Choose Life objectives into policies and strategies, targeting training towards frontline workers and sustainability. Attention was drawn to the letter sent by Scottish Executive on 19 December 2005 requiring a formal annual report of activities to be submitted by Chair of local CPP to National Implementation Support Group by 31 July each year.

Local support funds for Choose Life 2006-08 have been allocated and the Choose Life Sub group have prepared a proposed action plan to be discussed at this meeting. This proposal has been developed in line with national guidance taking into account the current gaps in services and available funding.

The updated JHIP including the revised strategic action plan was discussed and approved by Health and Wellbeing theme group for submission to Management Group on 8 February and for wider circulation. In revising the action plans, actions included this time round do not duplicate actions that are included in other plans but focus on actions that require partnership working and added value in terms of outcomes. The local public health networks are currently updating their action plans for submission to Health and Wellbeing theme group on 8 March 2006.

The group discussed a report on Review of Care and Repair and Other Services to Older people prepared by the scoping group. The scoping group believe that a dedicated resource is required either to fund a member of staff on a secondment or to seek an outside facilitator, possibly ODS, to take this work forward. The theme group preferred the secondment option and requested that the scoping group prepare a project outline proposal which makes the case for a secondment and identifies possible funding sources.

An updated plan for DRIVESafe was discussed and approved for submission to this meeting. The DRIVESafe steering group believe that more progress could be made if funding was secured for three years.

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