

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

CHOOSE LIFE- Proposed Action Plan 2006-08

Community Planning Partnerships (CPP) have responsibility for implementation and delivery of Choose Life action plans.

As in the initial phase (2003-06), local Choose Life support funds for 2006-08 will be allocated to local authorities for use by CPPs. **Argyll and Bute is to receive £83,000 in 2006-07 and £83,000 for 2007-08.**

Sustainability plans should be targeting 2008 as their commencement date.

Key considerations for revised Argyll and Bute Choose Life action plan- 2006-08

- Less money 2006-08
- Choose Life now has a profile nationally and across Argyll and Bute
- Need for shared ownership in order to build in sustainability
- Current staffing expenditure 2/3 future available budget leaving insufficient for capacity building and training
- Focus on local delivery, coordination and capacity building
- Mainstreaming and sustainability of suicide prevention activity should remain a major priority for all concerned.
- Choose Life activities should remain cross cutting at policy and local organisational level, firmly embedded within Joint Health Improvement and related local policies and plans.
- More work needs to be done at strategic levels to develop activities across partnerships.

Key action points in proposed draft

- Role and remit of the Sub group is redefined, placing more onus on Sub group members to pursue and take forward the Choose Life agenda through relevant strategic plans and processes.
- Focus on developing networks in localities and building capacity by employing an additional part time project worker to replace full time coordinator
- Action plan to be reviewed and updated in 2007 with activities focused on exit strategies and sustainability

Budget 2006-07

Income		Expenditure	
Scottish Executive	£83,000	Salaries	£33,000
Underspend 05-06	£16,000	Operational costs	£13,000
Inkind A&B Council	£1,000	Capacity building	£54,000
Total income	£100,000	Total expenditure	£100,000

Indicative budget 2007-08

Income		Expenditure	
Scottish Executive	£83,000	Salaries	£33,000
Inkind A&B Council	£1,000	Operational costs	£13,000
		Capacity building	£38,000
Total income	£84,000	Total expenditure	£84,000

Recommendation.

That the CPP Management Committee continue to support Choose Life, and agree to the attached Plan being submitted for approval to the full Community Planning Partnership at it's meeting in March 2006.

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