

## **SOCIAL AFFAIRS THEMATIC CPP**

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### **INTEGRATION OF STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIPS**

1. The purpose of this paper is to consider the process to be undertaken in the integration of Strategic Partnerships and their linkages within the Social Affairs thematic provisions relating to health, housing and local area regeneration, poverty, voluntary sector issues, school and pre-school education, young people and lifelong learning, social work services and matters relating to culture and sport as contained within the Argyll and Bute Community Plan.

### **2. RECOMMENDATION**

- 2.1 Consider the Strategic Partnership integration principles as outline in 3.3 of this paper.
- 2.2 Consider the integration flow chart outlined in Appendix 1 as the basis of the integration process for Social Affairs Strategic Partnerships.
- 2.3 Note the Strategic Partnership integration working example as it relates to the Community Plan Social Affairs Priority: We will make people feel safe and secure and the connections with the Community Safety Partnership as outlined in Appendix 2.
- 2.3 Consider making further linkages within the flow chart regarding the other integration principles.
- 2.4 Agree that the identified lead partner for each of the Strategic Partnership in Appendix 3 undertake the integration flow chart process.
- 2.5 Consider the timescale in undertaking this integration process in order to develop the work programme as outlined in the Thematic Groups Terms of Reference

### **3. BACKGROUND**

- 3.1 Within the Thematic CPP Terms of Reference the Group has to develop a work programme to review appropriate Strategic Partnerships and their linkages to relevant thematic groups, ensuring Partnership Agreements are in place for all appropriate strategic partnerships.

- 3.2 To achieve this at the last meeting of the Social Affairs Thematic Group agreed to look more closely at the work plan of the Community Safety Partnership to see how this will feed into the outcomes identified within Community Plan.
- 3.3 To undertake this officers from the Council and Strathclyde Fire and Rescue met to examine how this could be undertaken using the example of the Community Safety Partnership Strategic Assessment and Community Safety Strategy for 2009-12.

Through discussion it was suggested that Social Affairs Thematic Group set working principles as a framework to work within in undertaking the integration of strategic partnerships to ensure consistency of approach.

- Systematic integration approach
  - Partnership agreement in place
  - Prioritises established through evidence based analysis
  - Planning and Performance framework in place
  - Community Engagement arrangements in place
- 3.3 The Community Planning Manager and the Lead Officer from the Alcohol and Drugs Partnership has undertaken a piece of work to formalise a flow chart analysis tool to ensure that a systematic integration approach in undertaken this is outlined in Appendix 1.
  - 3.4 To ensure that integration principles are considered by Strategic Partnerships further flow chart linkages need to be considered
  - 3.5 Therefore using the Community Safety Partnership as the integration example to address the National Outcome No 9. Appendix 2 outlines the connections between the Argyll and Bute Community Plan Social Affairs thematic outcome relating to: We will make people feel safe and secure and the partnership agreement within the Community Safety Partnership to achieve that is contained within Appendix 3.

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