

MINUTES of MEETING of SOCIAL AFFAIRS THEMATIC CPP GROUP held in the TRAINING ROOM, WHITEGATES, KILMORY ROAD, LOCHGILPHEAD on MONDAY, 1 FEBRUARY 2010

Present: Councillor Vivien Dance (Chair)

Councillor Anne Horn, Argyll and Bute Council
Councillor David Kinniburgh, Argyll and Bute Council
Councillor Roderick McCuish, Argyll and Bute Council
Councillor Neil Mackay, Argyll and Bute Council
Councillor James McQueen, Argyll and Bute Council
Douglas Hendry, Lead Officer, Argyll and Bute Council
Geoff Calvert, Strathclyde Fire and Rescue
William Rae, Strathclyde Fire and Rescue
David Price, Association of Community Councils
Eleanor MacKinnon, Third Sector
Derek Leslie, NHS Highland

Attending: Lynn Smillie, Area Corporate Services Manager
Laura Cameron, Service Standards Officer, Community Services
Eileen Wilson, Community Planning Manager
David Clements, Performance Manager, Chief Executive's Unit

The Chair advised that she had received a request to discuss the proposed budget cuts and what the implications of this would be for the voluntary sector. The Chair advised that this issue did not fit in with the terms of reference of this Group and that it was therefore not appropriate to add as an urgent item to the agenda.

It was noted that if Partners were concerned with any aspects of the proposed savings to the Council's budget it was open to them to speak directly to individual Members and Officers of the Council.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were intimated from Councillor John McAlpine (Argyll and Bute Council), Chief Inspector Marlene Baillie (Strathclyde Police) and Glenn Heritage (Third Sector).

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None declared.

3. MINUTES

The Minutes of the Social Affairs Thematic CPP Group meeting held on 9 November 2009 were approved as a correct record.

4. DEVELOPMENT OF SOCIAL AFFAIRS THEMATIC CPP GROUP SCORECARD

A report providing progress on the development of the Social Affairs Thematic CPP Group Scorecard was considered.

Decision

1. Noted the Social Affairs Thematic CPP Group Scorecard as detailed at Appendix 1 was incomplete as it still required data from Partners in specific areas;
2. Agreed that the Council's Pyramid Team should issue to Partners details of the Scorecard information required in order to populate those areas where no information is contained, seek to clarify from Partners how this information will be reported eg annually, quarterly or monthly, and who the Lead Officer collating this information will be for each Partner;
3. Agreed to request a report from the Head of ICT and Financial Services regarding providing Partners with access to the Council's Performance Management System Pyramid; and
4. Agreed the quarterly reporting format by the Thematic Group Lead Officer for the Social Affairs Thematic Group as detailed at Appendix 2 of the report.

(Reference: Report by Area Corporate Services Manager, submitted)

5. INTEGRATION OF EXISTING STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIPS

The Thematic CPP Group gave consideration to 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 life long learning, social work services and matters relating to culture and sport as contained within the Argyll and Bute Community Plan.

Decision

1. Agreed the Strategic Partnership integration principles as outlined at paragraph 3.3 of the report;
2. Agreed the integration flow chart detailed at appendix 1 of the report as the basis of the integration process for Social Affairs Strategic Partnerships;
3. Noted 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 of the report; and

4. Agreed to follow through with this process with the other Strategic Partnerships relevant to the Social Affairs Thematic Group and that a report be brought back to the next meeting in May 2010 on the outcome of the integration process, highlighting if there are any overlaps or gaps in the work being undertaken by Strategic Partnerships.

(Reference: Report by Area Corporate Services Manager dated 22 January 2010, submitted)

6. COMMUNITY PLANNING CONFERENCE

The Community Planning Manager provided the Group with an update on progress with arrangements for the forthcoming Argyll and Bute Community Planning Partnership Conference.

Decision

1. Noted that the Argyll and Bute Community Planning Partnership Conference was scheduled to take place on 30 and 31 March 2009 to coincide with the Scottish Rural Network Day taking place on 30 March 2009; and
2. Noted that arrangements for the second day had still to be finalised.