



Agenda Item 5.3

EAST AYRSHIRE CHILD PROTECTION COMMITTEE: 6 SEPTEMBER 2011

RESOURCES TO SUPPORT THE EAST AYRSHIRE CHILD PROTECTION COMMITTEE: 2011 / 2012

1. PURPOSE

- 1.1 To seek confirmation of the arrangements for resourcing the East Ayrshire Child Protection Committee (EACPC) in 2011 / 2012.

2. PROPOSALS

- 2.1 Appendix 1 sets out the resources available to the East Ayrshire Child Protection Committee in 2011 / 2012. This is based on resources committed by the statutory partners, both in cash and in kind.
- 2.2 The resources set out mirror the arrangements in 2010 / 2011, with the addition of a new training resource. East Ayrshire Council has reshaped existing training resources to create a dedicated training officer post to support the implementation of multi-agency training and development activity. This ensures that the EACPC is responding to issues previously highlighted to Committee in respect of training resource capacity. This post will report to both the EACPC and to the Officer Locality Group (Children's Services) (OLG).
- 2.3 The EACPC also benefits from the *in kind* commitment of staff time. This involves a range of practitioners and managers, including the time of the sub group chairs.
- 2.4 The resources available will support the implementation of the business plan.

3. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1 It is recommended that Committee:
- (i) Approves the arrangements set out at appendix 1.

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Chair of East Ayrshire Child Protection Committee
August 2011



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CHILD PROTECTION COMMITTEE

BUDGET

2011/12

1. Resources Available

1.1 The resources committee to the EACPC in 2011/12 consist of: -

- East Ayrshire Council
 - Co-ordinator Post £48,579
 - Training Officer Post £42,741
(Council funded post – working in kind across children’s services)
 - Administration/Support Post £10,588
(Council funded post shared with Adult Protection Committee)
 - Committee Recurring Costs £8,300.00
(approximate costs of hire of premises, catering, telephone, stationery, IT/IT support, graphic design /information support)
- Sub Total £110,208**
- NHS Ayrshire & Arran £4,032.00
 - Strathclyde Police £8,282.00
- Sub Total £12,314**

2. Maximising Budget Capacity

2.1 The budget in 2011/12 is fixed and therefore any costs arising from the action plan in 2011/12 will require partner agencies to consider if additional one off expenditure is merited.

2.2 In 2010/11, the EACPC was successful in applying to other funding sources to support the implementation of the business plan. For example, the costs of the research into need/demand and the cost of chronology training was met by a grant provided through Community Planning (recognising the contribution of the work to improvising community safety).