

EAST AYRSHIRE

COMMUNITY PLANNING PARTNERSHIP BOARD

**MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 24 JUNE 2010 AT 1400 HOURS
IN THE DOWER HOUSE, DEAN CASTLE, KILMARNOCK**

PRESENT: Fiona Lees, Chief Executive, East Ayrshire Council; Alex McPhee, Executive Director of Finance and Corporate Support, East Ayrshire Council; Wai-Yin Hatton, Chief Executive, NHS Ayrshire and Arran; Neil Francis, Director Innovation, Commercialisation and Industries Delivery, Scottish Enterprise; Superintendent William Fitzpatrick, Divisional Commander, Strathclyde Police; Craig Cook, Area Commander, Strathclyde Fire and Rescue; John McFadzean, Convener, East Ayrshire North Communities Federation; Ian Smith, Chair, Coalfield Communities Federation; Debbie MacKie, Head of Leadership Development, Strathclyde Partnership for Transport; Rita Miller, Vice-chair, Community Health Partnership and Brian Cameron, Area Manager, Skills Development Scotland.

ATTENDING: Gwen Barker, Community Planning and Partnership Manager; Susan Taylor, Head of Service Children, Families and Criminal Justice, East Ayrshire Council; Richard Park, Scottish Government; John Paul Fitzpatrick, Who Cares? Scotland and Lynn Young, Administrative Officer, East Ayrshire Council.

APOLOGIES: Councillor Douglas Reid, East Ayrshire Council, and Heather Dunk, Principal, Kilmarnock College.

CHAIR: Wai-Yin Hatton, Chief Executive, NHS Ayrshire and Arran, Vice-Chair.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. The Chair at her discretion agreed to take Agenda Item 7, Corporate Parenting, and Item 4 Drama Presentation as the first two items on the agenda.

CORPORATE PARENTING ACTION PLAN: PROGRESS REPORT

2. There was submitted a report dated 16 June 2010 (circulated) by the Head of Service: Children, Families and Criminal Justice, East Ayrshire Council, which (i) updated on progress in implementing the East Ayrshire Corporate Parenting Action Plan and advised of arrangements made to identify priorities for planning in 2010/11; and (ii) advised of the launch of the National Anti-stigma Campaign on the key themes and issues for young care leavers and sought support from the Community Planning Partnership Board to sign up to the East Ayrshire Promise, which outlined how prejudice and stigma could be tackled.

The Community Planning Partnership Board then received a drama presentation from the young people entitled "One Big Family".

It was agreed:

- (i) to note the launch of the National Anti-stigma Campaign;
- (ii) to note the range of work which had already taken place in East Ayrshire to raise awareness of the Corporate Parenting responsibilities and to improve services;

- (iii) to note the key messages from young care leavers as detailed in the drama presentation: One Big Family;
- (iv) to commit to the East Ayrshire promise in support of the National Anti-stigma Campaign to promote and celebrate the success of children and young people in care and to tackle the negative stigma often associated with being in care;
- (v) to note the progress being made in implementing the East Ayrshire Corporate Parenting Action Plan;
- (vi) to note that the partnership event was planned to revise and develop the Action Plan for 2010/11; and
- (vii) that a further progress report be provided to the Community Planning Partnership Board in 6 months time.

Rita Miller joined the meeting during consideration of the above.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

3. There were submitted and approved as a correct record, the Minute of the meeting of the East Ayrshire Community Planning Partnership Board held on 18 March 2010 (circulated).

MATTERS ARISING

4.1. Economic Update

The Community Planning and Partnership Manager advised that the “Make it Kilmarnock” Team was now operational and was currently progressing funding applications, and that a progress report on this would be presented to the Community Planning Partnership Board in due course.

4.2 Third Sector Interface

The Community Planning and Partnership Manager advised that she had met with representatives from the Council for Voluntary Organisations (East Ayrshire) and the Volunteer Centre and had taken assurance from their meeting that the organisations were working towards an overall merger of the two organisations. The Manager further advised that it was anticipated that final proposals on the development of the Third Sector Interface would be submitted to the December 2010 Community Planning Partnership Board.

CORRESPONDENCE

5. There was received a letter dated 15 June 2010 (circulated) from the Depute Clerk to the Licensing Board which sought views from the Community Planning Partnership Board on the existence of over provision within East Ayrshire.

It was agreed to forward the correspondence to the Alcohol and Drugs Partnership to respond direct to the Depute Clerk to the Licensing Board.

COMMUNITY PLANNING FOUR-YEARLY REVIEW: STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

6. There was submitted a report dated 16 June 2010 (circulated) by the Chief Executive, East Ayrshire Council, which presented for consideration and endorsement the proposed strategic priorities and associated local outcomes for the period 2010-15, the development of which was informed by the findings of the wide-

ranging consultation and engagement carried out as part of Stage 1 of the Community Plan Four-yearly Review.

It was agreed:

- (i) to note the progress in respect of stage 1 of the Community Plan Four-yearly Review;
- (ii) to endorse the revised Guiding Principles;
- (iii) to endorse, subject to minor adjustments detailed at the meeting, the new Strategic Priorities and Local Outcomes; and
- (iv) to approve the proposals for Stage 2 of the review process and ensure appropriate officer participation in the workshops.

Neil Francis left the meeting during consideration of but prior to determination of the above item.

Fiona Lees joined the meeting at this stage.

BEST VALUE AUDIT REPORT

7. There was submitted a report dated 16 June 2010 (circulated) by the Chief Executive, East Ayrshire Council, which provided the Accounts Commission's findings in respect of the Best Value 2 Audit of East Ayrshire Council.

Neil Francis rejoined the meeting at this point.

It was agreed:

- (i) to welcome the Accounts Commission Report on the findings of the East Ayrshire Council's Best Value 2 Audit, noting the Council had been assessed as "improving well" and was "well placed to deliver future improvements"; and
- (ii) to note the outcomes where further progress was identified as being required.

A JOINT INSPECTION OF SERVICES TO PROTECT CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE IN THE EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL AREA

Alex McPhee and Neil Francis left the meeting at this point.

8. There was submitted a report dated 16 June 2010 (circulated) by the Chair of the East Ayrshire Child Protection Committee which advised of the publication of the second Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Education (HMIe) report on the joint inspection of services to protect children and young people in the East Ayrshire Council area, and which sought approval of the proposed arrangements for progressing an action plan with partner agencies.

It was agreed:

- (i) to note the improvements made in arrangements to protect children in East Ayrshire as confirmed in the inspection report;
- (ii) to note that East Ayrshire Child Protection Committee would progress the improvement actions, as part of the overall business planning approach; and
- (iii) to note that the East Ayrshire Child Protection Committee reports directly to East Ayrshire Chief Officers' Group, which would approve the final action plan and ensure implementation of the actions.

FINANCE UPDATE

9. There was submitted a report dated 16 June 2010 (circulated) by the Executive Director of Finance and Corporate Support, East Ayrshire Council, which advised on a range of matters regarding finance in respect of the Fairer Scotland Fund (FSF) and the Community Planning Development Fund.

Neil Francis rejoined the meeting at this point.

The Community Planning and Partnership Manager advised that paragraph 3.4 of the report relates to appendix 3 of the report rather than appendix 2 as detailed in the report.

It was agreed:

- (i) to note submission of the FSF Annual Expenditure Return for 2009/10 to the Scottish Government by 30 April 2010 and that the request to carry forward identified underspend from 2009/10 into 2010/11 had been approved by Scottish Ministers;
- (ii) to note the FSF final outturn position for 2009/10 and the revised balance available for carry forward into 2010/11;
- (iii) to note that FSF underspend would continue to be monitored to ensure full spend of resources by 31 March 2011;
- (iv) to note that the ringfence associated with FSF ended in March 2010;
- (v) to endorse recommendations in respect of the project proposals provided at appendix 3 of the report;
- (vi) to consider with Strathclyde Police options in respect of taking forward the Campus Officers Initiative, as appropriate; and
- (vii) to note the allocations from the Small Project Development Fund.

COLLABORATING FOR OUTCOMES IN THE PUBLIC SECTOR

10. The Community Planning and Partnership Manager advised that the Scottish Government had approached East Ayrshire Council to host a two day session on the 2 and 3 September 2010 in connection with Collaborating for Outcomes in the Public Sector. She then advised that the Scottish Government had indicated that approximately 40 individuals had expressed an interest in participating in the two day session in East Ayrshire and that confirmation of numbers/dates would be received from the Scottish Government in due course.

Having noted the verbal report by the Community Planning and Partnership Manager, it was agreed that the Community Planning Partnership Board would participate in the event, as required, and that the Board would be advised of the programme details once confirmation of the dates had been received by the Scottish Government.

COMMUNITY PLANNING UPDATE

11. There was submitted a report dated 16 June 2010 (circulated) by the Chief Executive, East Ayrshire Council, which updated on developments in relation to Community Planning.

It was agreed:

- (i) to note the progress in respect of the JOG workplan 2010/11;
- (ii) that no change was required to the Risk Register;
- (iii) to note the requirements of the Single Outcome Agreement annual reporting process and that the second Single Outcome Agreement Annual Performance Report on progress made in 2009/10 should be submitted to the Scottish Government in September 2010;
- (iv) to note the progress in respect of identified actions in the Single Outcome Agreement Improvement Plan; and
- (v) to note the Partnership's PAS results and remit the JOG to address identified priority issues to the JOG Workplan 2010/11.

FAIRER SCOTLAND FUND REVIEW PROCESS

12. There was submitted and noted a report dated 15 April 2010 (circulated) by the Executive Director of Finance and Corporate Support, East Ayrshire Council, which presented for information the proposed review process for services/projects currently funded by the Fairer Scotland Fund.

INTERNATIONAL WORKERS MEMORIAL DAY

13. There was submitted a report dated 16 June 2010 (circulated) by the Head of Human Resources, East Ayrshire Council, which advised on the International Workers Memorial Day and that it was marked by East Ayrshire in a ceremony at Dean Country Park, Kilmarnock.

It was agreed to support International Workers Memorial Day.

FUTURE PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION TOPICS

14. It was noted that the following topics would be presented to the Board for consideration, at a date to be determined:
 - Single Outcome Agreement Annual Report (September 2010);
 - Alcohol and Drugs Partnership update/strategy;
 - Older People/Vulnerable Adults;
 - Community Health Partnership Presentation;
 - Shared Services Update; and
 - Strathclyde Partnership for Transport - Local Outcomes (September 2010)

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

15. The next Board meeting will be held on Thursday 23 September 2010 at 1400 hours in the Dower House, Dean Castle Country Park, Kilmarnock.

The meeting terminated at 1546 hours.