



FEDERATION ACTION PLANS

Board Meeting – 15 June 2006

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To present to the Community Planning Partnership (CPP) Board, for information and noting, the Coalfield Communities Federation (CCF) Action Plan for 2006/2007 and the North Communities Federation (North Federation) Action Plan for 2006/2008.

2. FEDERATION ACTION PLANS

- 2.1 As part of the Community Regeneration Fund (CRF)/Community Voices Programme (CVP) project annual review process in October/ November 2005, the CCF and the North Federation were remitted to prepare work plans to reflect Federation activity over the CRF/CVP funding period.

Coalfield Communities Federation

- 2.2 The CCF convened a Development Day for its members on 18 March 2006 to inform the development of its Action Plan for 2006/07, which has subsequently been endorsed by the CCF Board, and is included for information at Appendix 1.
- 2.3 CCF activity for 2006/07, in targeted priority areas in the south of East Ayrshire, focuses on:
 - increasing CCF membership, promoting its activity and raising awareness;
 - building the capacity of its members and further developing partnership skills;
 - improving the environment in local communities, in particular, focusing on derelict and vacant buildings;
 - providing facilities for young people to encourage physical activity, healthy lifestyles and social interaction; and
 - supporting young people's involvement in issues affecting their communities.

North Communities Federation

- 2.4 The North Federation Action Plan 2006/2008, provides a comprehensive overview of its progress and planned activity over the next two years and is included at Appendix 2.
- 2.5 North Federation activity for 2006/08, in targeted priority areas in the north of East Ayrshire, focuses on:
 - community capacity building within the Federation and the wider operating area;
 - supporting the regeneration of Kilmarnock Town Centre, including leading on the Kilmarnock Town Centre Shop Mobility Scheme;

- improving the environment, through working in partnership with local agencies, environmental projects and community groups; and
- improving opportunities for young people and supporting youth involvement in local communities.

3. LOCAL PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENTS/COMPACTS

- 3.1 To further strengthen the working relationship between the Community Planning Partnership Board and the two Federations of Community Groups, it is proposed that a local partnership agreement/compact be developed with each Federation during 2006/07 for implementation in 2007 and beyond.
- 3.2 It is anticipated that these agreements/compacts will enhance partnership working, provide greater clarity in respect of roles and responsibilities and ensure local issues are further prioritised within the CPP Board.
- 3.3 To facilitate this process, the Unit's consultation and engagement staff will meet with representatives of the Federations to drive this activity forward.

4. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 4.1 It is recommended that the Board:
- i) notes the content of the CCF Action Plan for 2006/07 and the North Federation Action Plan for 2006/08;
 - ii) endorses the proposal to establish a partnership agreement/local compact with each of the two Federations of Community Groups; and
 - iii) otherwise, notes the content of the report.

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24 May 2006

COALFIELD COMMUNITIES FEDERATION – ACTION PLAN 2006/07

1. ACTIVE COMMUNITIES

Outcome	Indicator	Target Area	Target Group	Target Date
CCF Membership increased	Additional Community Groups join CCF	CCF Operating Area	Community Councils, Young People, Ethnic Minorities, groups/individual with special interests/skills	August 2006 (2)
Raise awareness of the CCF	Send information to Community Groups Regular dialogue between Federation members and their respective communities	CCF Operating Area	Community Councils, Special Interest Groups, Ethnic Minorities and Local Area Committees	Ongoing
Glennie newsletter available to all addresses in the Coalfield area	Continued development, publication and distribution of the Glennie newsletter	CCF Operating Area	All domestic and business addresses in the Coalfield area	Spring and Autumn each year
Update and re-launch CCF Website	Up-to-date website content with increased site visitor numbers	All internet users	All internet users	September 2006
Campaign to secure the future of rural sub post offices	Work in partnership with sub post offices and service users to raise awareness of the situation and provide relevant support	CCF Operating Area	Residents in Coalfield area	Ongoing
Raise awareness of life during WWII	Tour communities with memorabilia and artefacts from WWII	CCF Operating Area	Coalfield Residents	December 2006

2. ATTRACTIVE COMMUNITIES

Outcome	Indicator	Target Area	Target Group	Target Date
Improvements to shopping area in Netherthird	CCF to work in partnership with the Cumnock Landward Community Council and East Ayrshire Council to progress	Netherthird	Residents, community groups and shop owners in the Netherthird area	2007
Footpath to Mauchline Cemetery	CCF to work in partnership with and provide assistance to Mauchline Community Council to progress	Mauchline	Mauchline community	2007
Improvements to derelict buildings	Improvements to derelict buildings – New Cumnock Community Council are keen to progress a project	CCF Operating Area	Coalfield area residents	Ongoing

3. HEALTHY COMMUNITIES

Outcome	Indicator	Target Area	Target Group	Target Date
Provide facilities for young people to encourage physical activity and social interaction	Develop the Outside-in project, an indoor recreational facility offering various physical activities for young people	CCF Operating Area	Young People	2007
Provide young people with an opportunity be involved in issues affecting their communities	CCF to work in partnership with Dialogue Youth	CCF Operating Area	Young People	Ongoing

4. SKILLED COMMUNITIES

Outcome	Indicator	Target Area	Target Group	Target Date
Provide training opportunities for Federation Members	Identify training needs and facilitate its implementation. Develop training programme	CCF Operating Area	Federation Members	Ongoing
Provide information on the CCF including roles and responsibilities of Directorship	Develop an Induction Pack for Federation Members	CCF Operating Area	Federation Members	December 2006
Participation in the annual school art competition	Invite entries from local school children depicting a current theme	CCF Operating Area	School children in Coalfield area	Ongoing

East Ayrshire North Communities Federation – Action Plan

1. COMMUNITY CAPACITY BUILDING

Ref	Outcome	Indicator	Target Area	Target Group	Target Date
1A	An EANCF Office established in suitable premises, either standalone or within a multi-purpose community information facility	EANCF Office opened	Kilmarnock Town Centre	Residents within the EANCF Operating Area	Completed
1B	EANCF Development Worker in post	Development Worker recruited	For EANCF Office		Completed
1C	EANCF Membership increased	Additional Community Groups join EANCF	EANCF Operating Area	Community Councils, Special Interest Groups, & Ethnic Minorities	July 06 (4) Jan 07 (4) July 07 (4)
1D	Community Councils, Special Interest Groups, Ethnic Minorities and the wider Community informed about the EANCF and its Action Plan	Road shows presented to interested parties	EANCF Operating Area	Community Councils, Special Interest Groups, Ethnic Minorities and Local Area Committees	6 Roadshows per calendar year First Roadshow Apr 06
1E	EANCF Newsletter available to all interested parties	EANCF Newsletter published	EANCF Operating Area	Community Groups and Residents	2 Newsletters per year (Apr & Nov)
1F	EANCF Website established on the Internet	Website published, URL allocated and in use		Everybody living and working within the EANCF Operating Area	Sep 06
1G	EANCF established as a Company Limited by Guarantee	EANCF registered at Companies House		EANCF Members	Aug 06

2. KILMARNOCK TOWN CENTRE REGENERATION

Ref	Outcome	Indicator	Target Area	Target Group	Target Date
2A	EANCF leading the Kilmarnock Town Centre Shop Mobility Scheme	EANCF in Partnership with the EAC Department of Development & Property Services and other interested parties	Kilmarnock Town Centre	Persons with mobility problems shopping in Kilmarnock Town Centre	Completed
2B	EANCF influencing Community Safety Initiatives within the EANCF Operating Area	EANCF accepted as a full participant in the Community Safety Partnership	Kilmarnock Town Centre	Community Safety Partnership	June 06
2C	External appearance of Void Shops and surrounds improved (see also 3D)	EANCF acting as advocate and champion, in partnership with the relevant Agencies, to encourage good practice	Kilmarnock Town Centre	Owners of commercial properties, and their agents	To be discussed

3. IMPROVING THE ENVIRONMENT

Ref	Outcome	Indicator	Target Area	Target Group	Target Date
3A	EANCF assisting in the work to keep Rights of Way and Neighbourhood Pathways open, safe, clear of litter and in use	EANCF working in partnership with the EA Woodlands and Facilitation Project, and related local groups, to sponsor and mentor best practice	EANCF Operating Area	EA Woodlands Project & SWAT	Dec 06
3B	Potential themed walks, including historical sites, identified and mapped	EANCF working in partnership with Historical Societies and other Local Groups to collate information	EANCF Operating Area	Historical Societies and Special Interest Groups	Jun 07
3C	Use of paths, walkways and other pedestrian options increased	EANCF working, with the EAC, to achieve clear signposting of all available pedestrian routes	EANCF Operating Area	EAC	To be discussed

Ref	Outcome	Indicator	Target Area	Target Group	Target Date
3D	Graffiti and Litter reduced in all Towns, Villages & Settlements	EANCF acting as an effective conduit for reports of Graffiti and Litter, made by members of the Community, to the relevant EAC Departments	EANCF Operating Area	Residents in the EANCF Operating Area	Jun 06
3E	EANCF informed about successful recycling and rubbish clearance schemes within other Communities	EANCF in discussion with other Community Groups about successfully implemented schemes	As required	Community Groups in the Central Region	Dec 06

4. IMPROVING OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

Ref	Outcome	Indicator	Target Area	Target Group	Target Date
4A	Young People having access to resources and facilities that encourage healthy lifestyles and physical activity	EANCF working with the New Sporting Futures Project, and other partners, to make sports and other recreational facilities available either in, or nearby, all the settlements within the EANCF Operating Area	EANCF Operating Area	Young People	June 06
4B	Young People being more involved in the life of the Community, including the work of the EANCF	EANCF working with Youth Projects such as Dialogue Youth; Youth Outreach; the EASY Project and Princes' Trust Volunteers to build capacity within the EANCF Operating Area	EANCF Operating Area	Youth Projects	Dec 06