

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

EAST AYRSHIRE COMMUNITY SAFETY FORUM – 1 DECEMBER 2005

COMMUNITY SAFETY CO-ORDINATOR - REVIEW OF EVENTS AND INITIATIVES

Report by Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1. To advise Forum members of developments and initiatives undertaken by the Community Safety Co-ordinator

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1. In accordance with East Ayrshire Council Community Plan; Improving Community Safety, a Community Safety Co-ordinator was appointed to implement the action plans and to co-ordinate and drive forward safety initiatives.

3. DISCUSSION

- 3.1. **Children and Young People's Services Plan:** The Children and Young People's Services Plan has been produced and a review of the first six months of the Plan has now been completed.
- 3.2. **Scottish Home Safety Officers Group:** The Group continue to meet and discuss ways of taking home safety issues forward. The AGM will be held on Thursday 1st December in Fife.
- 3.3. **Scottish Community Safety Network:** The Network is holding an event in Aberdeen bringing together colleagues from across the country to look at examples of problem solving. This will include a workshop on organisational relationships with an exercise provided by trainers from the Scottish Police College exploring partnership structures and working within a complex organisational structure. East Ayrshire Leisure Services will give a presentation on StreetSport Express that will look at problem solving in action.
- 3.4. **Community Safety Partnership:** Two new members of staff have been appointed to work for the Partnership. David Arnot, Community Safety Analyst/Monitoring and Evaluation Officer and Lesley Callaghan, Administration Officer. David will be based within the Licensing and Community Safety Section in East Ayrshire Council and Lesley will be based within Strathclyde Police.
- 3.5. **Big World Conference:** The Conference will take place at the Walker Hall in Troon from 14th – 25th November. Further information is available from Inspector Derek Ireland at Kilmarnock Police Office.

- 3.6. **Voluntary Code of Conduct:** This is now being rolled out in the Doon Valley Area, Stewarton, Irvine Valley and Shortlees. Strathclyde Police have highlighted some premises of concern in the Cumnock area that may also be included in the scheme. North West Kilmarnock will also be included in the roll out in December. An evaluation will be conducted in the Spring and a full report will be made available to the Forum in June 2006.

4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1. Projects are financed from existing budgets held by the partnership organisations and from the Scottish Executive Community Safety Awards.

5. LEGAL/AUTHORITY IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1. Nil

6. POLICY IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 Nil

7. CONCLUSIONS

- 7.1. The Community Safety Co-ordinator will continue to liaise with other departments and outside organisations to promote the initiatives described in the report.

8. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 8.1. The Forum is invited to note the contents of this report

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LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS

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