



## COMMUNITY PLANNING UPDATE

### Board Meeting – 14 December 2006

#### 1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To update the Community Planning Partnership (CPP) Board on developments in respect of Community Planning.

#### 2. FOUR-YEARLY REVIEW PROCESS – PROGRESS

- 2.1 As previously reported to the Board, since the inception of Community Planning, Community Planning Partners have articulated their commitment to carrying out a review of the Community Plan and related thematic Action Plans on a four-yearly basis.
- 2.2 The first such review is in the process of being carried out. Detailed below is an update on progress.

##### **Review of the Community Plan**

- 2.3 Work is now underway to update the Community Plan to ensure that it continues to be 'fit for purpose', reflecting both current and emerging local and national priorities relevant to the broad Community Planning agenda.
- 2.4 The finalised Plan will be presented to Core Community Planning Partners for consideration and sign off early in 2007.

##### **Revised Thematic Action Plans**

- 2.5 As a result of Core Community Planning Partners' endorsement of the Aspirations, Aims and Revised Actions, Lead Officers and their thematic Action Plan Working Groups, supported by Tribal Consulting, are currently in the process of developing the activity to be progressed over the next four years, providing planned outputs and baseline information. The timescale for the completion of this work is 24 December 2006.
- 2.6 To ensure maximum impact across the six action plans and a focus on crosscutting activity, a half-day workshop was held on the 13 November 2006. Over 70 working group representatives attended the session with input from a range of Core Community Planning Partners.

##### **Review of Operating Structures**

- 2.7 In addition to the work detailed above, a review of Community Planning operating structures, in particular the role of the Community Planning and Partnership Board and the Core Partners' Group, has been undertaken.
- 2.8 Recommendations will be discussed with both Federations of Community Groups and a final report presented to the Core Partners' Group at their next meeting planned for

February 2007 and the CPP Board in March 2007 to allow for effective implementation by 1 April 2007.

### **3. LAUNCH OF THE COMMUNITY PLAN**

- 3.1 As previously stated, an updated Community Plan and revised set of Action Plans require to be ready for full implementation by 1 April 2007.
- 3.2 To ensure maximum publicity is afforded by the launch of the updated Community Plan and new Action Plans for the period 2007 to 2011, the launch will be utilised to celebrate the significant success and achievements of Community Planning in the first four years and raise public awareness of the revised Plan.
- 3.3 A short term working group has been established to drive forward this activity and a draft programme of events is attached as an Appendix to the report for information.

### **4. COMMUNITY PLANNING WEBSITE**

- 4.1 The Community Planning website is now live and can be accessed by logging on to [www.eastayrshirecommunityplan.org](http://www.eastayrshirecommunityplan.org).
- 4.2 There is a wide range of information currently available on the website; however, information will continue to be added on an ongoing basis.

### **5. EAST AYRSHIRE COMMUNITY PLANNING RESIDENTS' PANEL**

- 5.1 The following consultation exercises have been progressed to date:
  - **Community Planning Four-Yearly Review Process** – panel members were invited to participate in the review of the Community Plan and were asked to comment on the existing priorities or identify new priorities, which Community Planning Partners should address from 2007 to 2011. The results from the consultation exercise were included in the overall returns submitted to Lead Officers and their thematic Action Plan Working Groups for consideration as the revised Action Plans were developed.
  - **Smoking and Fire Safety Survey** – panel members were invited to share their experiences of, and attitudes to, smoking and fire safety. The survey results will be used as a basis for further research to support future work in: addressing tobacco awareness and smoking prevention; improving knowledge of the risk of fire caused by smoking; and furthering the knowledge and understanding of Home Fire Safety Visits.
  - **East Ayrshire Local Plan** – five Focus Groups have been held covering all Local Committee areas, affording Panel Members the opportunity to discuss and comment on the detail of the Local Plan as it relates to their areas and individual neighbourhoods. Issues and comments from panel members who attended will inform the further development of the Local Plan.
  - **Local Transport Strategy** – a questionnaire has been circulated allowing a range of information to be gathered in relation to issues such as road safety, public transport, road maintenance and street lighting. The information provided by Panel Members will inform the preparation of the next Local Transport Strategy for the period to 2010.
  - **Strathclyde Police Public Consultation Questionnaire 2006** – this questionnaire is currently in circulation and seeks perceptions on crime and safety issues. The issues of greatest concern to residents of East Ayrshire will be addressed by Strathclyde Police through locally developed action plans.

- 5.2 The results of the questionnaires which have been circulated are currently being analysed in detail. Once analysis is complete the results will be available on the Community Planning website. They will be used internally in the Partner organisations to inform service development and improve service delivery.
- 5.3 A Residents' Panel Newsletter is currently being finalised and will be circulated to panel members early next year, providing feedback on:
- the Community Planning Residents' Survey;
  - their input to the Community Planning Four-yearly Review; and
  - the Smoking and Fire Safety Survey.
- 5.4 Topics for consultation in early 2007 include Child Protection and Healthy Eating. Further topics are currently being considered.

## **6. RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 6.1 The CPP Board is asked to note:
- i) the progress in respect of the Four-yearly Review of Community Planning;
  - ii) the proposed programme for the launch of the updated Community Plan;
  - iii) that the Community Planning Website is now live and can be accessed at [www.eastayrshirecommunityplan.org](http://www.eastayrshirecommunityplan.org);
  - iv) the progress in relation to the Residents' Panel; and
  - v) otherwise, note the content of the report.

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**27 November 2006**



## **SHOWCASE**

Draft proposals are as follows:

### **Show on Monday 19 March 2007 - Focus on Community Groups (Running time 1 hour 55 including interval)**

- Rock Group c.15 minutes (winner of the Battle of the Bands – young people from Shortlees)
- DJing/Hip Hop c. 15 minutes
- Drama Group c. 30 minutes (Youth Theatre)
- Multi-media presentation c. 15 minutes (EASY Project)
- Young at Heart Dance c. 10 minutes

### **Show on Monday 20 Focus on younger children. (Running time 1 hour 50 including interval)**

- The Jolly Beggars (pupils from Kilmarnock Area) - 30 minutes
- Dance with Zara Robertson as part of Motivator Initiative (pupils from Cumnock Area) - 10 minutes
- The Price of Coal ( Auchinleck and Dalmellington Areas) - 30 minutes
- Dance with Zara Robertson as part of Motivator Initiative (pupils from Loudoun /Stewarton Area) - 10 minutes

In addition, it is proposed that young people drawn from the youth centres across the area and the Youth Outreach Project will introduce the acts in an innovative way.