

COMMUNITY PLANNING UPDATE

What's coming up within North Ayrshire CPP

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- Wednesday 20
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January: Environment Partnership

LOCAL UPDATE—NEWS

Welcome to our new look CPP Update! Let us know what you think.

The Community Planning Team completed the presentation of a pilot half-day **Introduction to Community Planning course**. The evaluation of this course was very positive and so further events will be planned for 2010.

The latest **Peoples Panel questionnaire** will be posted through the letter box of 2000 North Ayrshire residents this month. The theme is the impact of the recession on you and your community. The results of this will be collated over the next couple of months.

Economic Development Services are evaluating your views of the funding information available. The survey is available at <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/MPJY6X7>

Farewell to **Jan Ward**, Head of Service, Educational Services, and long-standing contributor to the work of the CPP. Jan has earned her long service medal as a member of the CPP Management Group (and its predecessors). She has also chaired the MCMC group from the start and leaves a legacy of strong partnerships and interventions to support young people—enjoy your retirement Jan!

LOCAL UPDATE—COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUPS

The **CPP Board** (Chair: Cllr Margaret McDougall) met on 17 December. The group received a report and presentation on the development of the Third Sector Interface. They also received reports from the North Ayrshire Environment Partnership and the Community Health Partnership. Presentations were also made on the new Integrated Childrens Services plan and on the progress of Irvine Bay URC. Partners provided information on further responses to the economic downturn. Information was given on the findings of the SIMD09 and

the SOA Action Plan quarter 2 progress report.

The **CPP Management Group** (Chair: Jan Ward, NAC for Sandra Bale) met on 2nd December. The group received updates on the SOA Action Plan quarter 2 progress report and on the work of the Economic and Learning Partnership. The group discussed the development of the SOA Action Plan 2010-11 and ideas for actions in relation to outcomes 15a-c. Information was supplied on the

Calendar of upcoming events

You may have been e-mailed directly with information on relevant events. Upcoming events are also listed on our website at www.north-ayrshire.gov.uk/communityplanning. Please check regularly as the website is frequently updated.

mid year review of the Strategic Partnerships and on the Fairer North Ayrshire finance report. A report on Community Planning Week 2010 was also given.

The North Ayrshire Economic and Learning Partnership (Chair: Alex Anderson NAC) met on 15 December. They received a report on Social Return on Investment from Frontline Consultants. An update was provided on the work of Skills Development Scotland and the North Ayrshire Third Sector Interface. The partners and sub group provided updates. Actions for the SOA 2010-11 were discussed as was the quarter 2 progress report and Community Planning Week 2010.

The More Choices, More Chances, Sub-Group (Chair Jan ward NAC) met on 3 December. They received updates on 16+ Learning Choices including winter leaver offers, initial planning for summer leavers and partnership arrangements. Information was also provided on Activity Agreements and the Future Jobs Fund.

The North Ayrshire Environment Partnership (Chair: Cllr Tom Barr) met on 18 December. They received reports on the Local Development Plan, Glasgow Climate Plan Partnership and on LEAF/the Energy Agency. An update was provided from the sub group and partners on their activities. The SOA Action Plan quarter 2 progress report was discussed, as was Community Planning Week 2010. A report was received on the prioritisation of actions for the SOA Ac-

tion Plan 2010-11.

The North Ayrshire Housing Partnership (Chair: Alex Adrain NAC for Olga Clayton) met on 3 December. The Housing Needs and Demand Assessment and the Local Development Plan was discussed. A presentation was received on the work of Irvine Bay URC. The Local Housing Strategy 2010-15, older people's housing issues and the Strategic Housing Investment Plan were discussed. Updates were received from the rural housing sub groups. The quarter 2 SOA Action Plan progress report and Community Planning Week 2010 were discussed.

The Safer North Ayrshire Partnership (Chair: Chief Inspector Stewart Rorrison) met on 11 December. They received a presentation on Community Service Development and updates from partners. The quarter 2 SOA Action Plan progress report and Community Planning Week 2010 were discussed.

The Community Engagement Network (Chair: Justina Murray NAC) met on 8th December. The network received presentations on Developing a Participation and Citizenship Strategy for Young People, Promoting Citizen Leadership, Using the National Standards for Community Engagement for Tenant Participation and the Local Development Plan. Community Planning Week 2010 was discussed. Cllr Peter McNamara hosted a question and answer session.

NEW INITIATIVES, PUBLICATIONS AND RESOURCES

The **NHS Scotland Chief Executive's Annual Report** has been published. It presents an assessment of the performance of NHS Scotland in 2008/9 and describes key achievements and challenges. It is available at

<http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Publications/2009/12/03133143/0>.

Latest report from the **Joseph Rowntree Foundation**—www.jrf.org.uk: **Monitoring poverty and social exclusion 2009**—The annual report on the state of poverty and social exclusion in the United Kingdom from the Joseph Rowntree Foundation and the New Policy Institute.

greenspace scotland, NHS Health Scotland and SNH are launching a suite of tools to support both greenspace and health practitioners in making the links between greenspace and health more explicit. These tools form an outcome framework for greenspace and health which is part of a wider series of frameworks developed by NHS Health Scotland. The greenspace and health framework provides a series of tools which can be used to maximise the successful delivery of health outcomes through better targeting and coordination of greenspace activities, and develop a clearer rationale for the way in which greenspace is delivering Single Outcome Agreement and National Performance Framework health outcomes. The national launch and sharing practice event takes place on 8th February 2010 in Stirling—see <http://www.greenspacescotland.org.uk/default.asp?page=41> for more de-

tails.

The Scottish Government has published information on **attainment in higher education and destinations of leavers 2007-08**. This is a Statistical release containing information on qualifiers from higher education courses at higher education institutes and colleges in Scotland. This release also contains information on the early destinations of higher education qualifiers from higher education institutions (6 months after leaving their course). It is available at <http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Publications/2009/12/07165521/0>.

A consultation document has been published by the Scottish Government on guidance on **partnership working between allied health professionals and education**. This highlights good practice in joint working between agencies. See <http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Publications/2009/12/01152951/0>

The **Scottish Social Enterprise Coalition**, the national collective voice of social enterprise in Scotland, has launched its General Election Manifesto calling on the UK government to re-examine the support given to social enterprises in their forthcoming policies. See <http://www.ssec.org.uk/news/article/150/>.

The Scottish Centre for Intergenerational Practice has published its best practice guide entitled **"Generations Working Together"**. An analysis of local community radio station 3TFM is included and its En-R-G Project (Connecting Generations Project). See www.scotip.or.guk for more details.

LOCAL UPDATE— OTHER PARTNERSHIPS

NHS Ayrshire & Arran is updating its maternity strategy and your views are being sought on a vision that outlines where we want the service to be in 2015. Contact Carole Blair Public Partnership Forum Co-ordinator for more details. (Carole.blair@aapct.scot.nhs.uk)

Barmill Community Association have been awarded £15,000 of LEADER funding to develop a Village Plan. They are seeking information from all agencies on any other plans which may affect Barmill and the surrounding area. (Contact: Jean Gilbert, 01505 502521 jean.gilbert13@yahoo.co.uk)

Recycling Enterprise North Ayrshire Ltd is a new local organisation which coordinates the recycling of furniture and household goods and their provision to households in need. <http://recyclena.weebly.com/index.html>

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The Update is circulated across North Ayrshire Community Planning Partnership on a monthly basis. Please let us know of any information we should be highlighting in future editions.

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The **Scottish Public Health Observatory** have published a new resource on their website enabling the analysis of local health data. It is an interactive tool giving access to the profiles data for all intermediate geography zones (IZs) within the CHP; the

facility to generate spine graphs, comprising the full 61 profiles indicators, for a specified IZ area; and the facility to produce rank charts, of all IZs within the CHP, for a specified indicator. See <http://www.scotpho.org.uk/profilesExceltool/>

NATIONAL UPDATE

The Big Lottery Fund has announced the award of research programme funding for **green-space scotland's** two year research project **Greenspace is good – so prove it!** This groundbreaking project will work with 12 urban community greenspace groups to enable them to understand, calculate and demonstrate the impact of their projects using the Social Return on Investment (SROI) model. Recruiting of the participating groups will take place in Jan 2010. See <http://www.greenspacescotland.org.uk/default.asp?page=479> for more details.

2010 has been declared the **International Year of Biodiversity (IYB)** by the United Nations – the year that celebrates the diversity of life on Earth, including every plant, animal and micro-organism. In the UK, IYB has over 200 partners ranging from universities, media organisations and museums to theatre companies and artists.. They have come together to promote the understanding of biodiversity during the International Year of Biodiversity. The website to mark the IYB has just gone live—<http://www.biodiversityislife.net/>

The **Voluntary Action Fund** has announced its funding priorities for 2010-2011 for its Community Chest grants programme. North Ayrshire is included in its target geographic areas. The Voluntary Action Fund is especially keen to

hear from groups who work with disability or health related issues, provide childcare or whose beneficiaries face exclusion due to their ethnicity, disability gender or sexual orientation. See www.voluntaryactionfund.org.uk for more details.

The Scottish Government's **Steps for Stress** campaign has been launched. The campaign helps the target audience, particularly those experiencing socio-economic deprivation in the 25-54 year age range, recognise the signs of stress. It also encourages them to access simple self-help resources to help them manage it before it escalates into more serious mental health issues such as anxiety and depression. It also aims to promote and protect good mental wellbeing. The campaign includes a six-part prime-time TV series and the production of self-help tools and resources, including a printed booklet and website.

Locally the Steps for Stress trailer visited Saltcoats supported by local Community Mental Health staff. Feedback from this event was positive, with anecdotal evidence suggesting that many people appreciated the chance to have a discussion around some of the main issues that were affecting them.

See <http://www.infoscotland.org.uk/stepsforstress/> for more details. Local contact: Andrew Hale Health Improvement Officer ahale@north-ayrshire.gov.uk