

## **COMMUNITY SAFETY COMMITTEE**

Minute of Meeting of the Community Safety Committee held in the Committee Room, Fourth Floor, Council Building, 2 High Street, Perth on Wednesday 18 August 2010 at 2:00pm.

Present: Councillors W Robertson, E Maclachlan, P Barrett, L Caddell, A Cowan, A Grant, A MacLellan, P Mulheron, M Roberts, B Vaughan (substituting for C Shiers), L Simpson, H Stewart and R Band (substituting for A Younger).

In attendance: J Gilruth, J Irons and J Newton (Housing and Community Care); J Dixon (The Environment Service); W Atkinson (Education and Children's Services); Superintendent T Beveridge (Tayside Police), T McMurchie (Scottish Prison Service), A Wilson and P Frazer (both Chief Executive's Service).

Apologies for Absence: Councillors C Shiers and A Younger.

Councillor W Robertson, Convener, Presiding.

The Convener led discussion for Articles 435 and 436; the Vice-Convener for Article 434.

### **431. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

In terms of the Councillors' Code of Conduct, Councillor L Caddell declared a non-financial interest in Article 434.

### **432. MINUTE OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

The Minute of Meeting of the Community Safety Committee of 12 May 2010 (Arts. 273-279) was submitted, approved as a correct record and authorised for signature.

### **433. PRESENTATION – TAYSIDE POLICE – CHIEF CONSTABLE'S ANNUAL REPORT**

The Committee heard a presentation by Superintendent T Beveridge on the Chief Constable's Annual Report.

### **434. JOINT HEALTH PROTECTION PLAN**

There was submitted a report by the Depute Director (Environment) (10/413) outlining the draft Joint Public Health Protection Plan for 2010/2012, prepared in consultation with Angus, Dundee City and Perth and Kinross Councils, which provided an overview of health protection priorities, provision and preparedness within Tayside.

#### **Resolved:**

Perth and Kinross Council agreed the content of the Health Protection Plan and committed to work with NHS Tayside, Dundee City and Angus Councils to address the priorities identified, therein.

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**435. PATHWAYS FOR SHORT TERM PRISONERS**

There was submitted a report by the Executive Director (Housing and Community Care) (10/414): (1) informing the Committee of the development of release 'Pathways' for short term prisoners accommodated at HMP Perth; and (2) outlining the joint approach of partner agencies and practical achievements during the past two years.

**Resolved:**

- (i) To carry out a joint evaluation of the project with the Tayside Community Justice Authority and other partner agencies.
- (ii) The Executive Director (Housing and Community Care) be instructed to present a further report in 12 month's time on the impact of the 'Pathways'.
- (iii) The content of the report be otherwise noted.

**436. CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND LICENSING BILL (SCOTLAND) BILL**

There was submitted a report by the Executive Director (Housing and Community Care) (10/415) outlining (1) the potential implementation of the Criminal Justice and Licensing (Scotland) Bill in April 2011; and (2) the implications of the Bill on the delivery of community based disposal within Perth and Kinross.

**Resolved:**

- (i) Criminal Justice Services continue to work closely with partner agencies to ensure that the aims and objectives of the Bill were met.
- (ii) Criminal Justice Services and partners continue to explore synergies to comply with the provision of the Bill.
- (iii) The implications of the Criminal Justice and Licensing (Scotland) Bill and its impact on the availability of community penalties, as opposed to custodial sentences, be noted.

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