## PERTH AND KINROSS COUNCIL

## 25 February 2015

## Summary of Community Planning Partnership Activity January – February 2015

## Briefing Note by Executive Director (Education and Children's Services)

### PURPOSE OF REPORT

To update Council on the activities of the Community Planning Partnership (CPP) between January to February 2015

### 1. Joint Resourcing workshop

On 28 November 2014 the Community Planning Partnership Board approved the 3 interconnected priorities for joint resourcing:

- Workless households in Blairgowrie and Rattray
- Business growth and support
- Employer engagement

To progress the joint resourcing agenda, members of the CPP Executive Officer Group (CPPEOG) met in Rattray for a workshop on 30 January 2015. This workshop focused upon the workless households theme, allowing the Group to discuss the 'lived experience' of a workless household in Rattray and consider collaborative outcomes and measures of success. From the workshop CPPEOG have agreed an outline action plan to identify: the outcome and impact; high level impact measures; and what needs to happen to implement the vision.

A Joint Resourcing Working Group will now produce a robust, evidence based business case which outlines the potential for realigning and making best use of total public resources to improve outcomes for workless households in Blairgowrie and Rattray.

## 2. CPP Board 13 February 2015

The CPP Board received a presentation on the work of the Community Empowerment Working Group (CEWG) and its recommendations on new approaches to community empowerment and participation. The Group set out a vision of success, definitions of community empowerment, as well as areas for action or further investigation. The CPP Board welcomed the report and in particular clear definitions. The Board discussed factors involved in community empowerment and agreed that CEWG should continue and develop an action plan to take forward its recommendations, together with CPPEOG. As highlighted above, the Group were briefed on Joint Resourcing progress made by CPPEOG at the January workshop.

Following on from the Wood Commission for Developing Scotland's Young Workforce the Scottish Government set out its strategy on youth employment before Christmas 2014. The CPP Board considered an update on how Perth and Kinross is looking to implement this, with partners currently working on mapping public activity against five themes in the strategy. This item will be discussed at a future CPP Board.

The CPP Board discussed two related papers on performance management and improvement. The first of these concerned a Community Planning Outcomes Profile. Co-funded by the Scottish Government, Local Government and the Improvement Service, the Community Planning Outcome profile seeks to provide better and more consistent measurement of the delivery of outcomes and to reduce inequalities by CPPs. Perth and Kinross partners are currently actively contributing to a consultation on the draft profile. The second paper covered Outcome Delivery Group planning and performance arrangements. The Board agreed that Guidance be updated on Delivery plans and that Outcome Delivery Groups (ODG) refresh current ODG Delivery Plans.

The CPP Board agreed CPPEOG's recommendation that a CPP selfevaluation be undertaken during Spring 2015. Providing a valuable stocktake, the self-evaluation will be the first step in producing a refreshed CPP development programme.

An update on the Place Based Scrutiny Pilot exercise in Eastern Perthshire was provided to the CPP Board. Taking place in March 2015, the purpose of the pilot is to devise and assess a potential methodology for the evaluation and scrutiny of how community planning is operating at a local level.

The Board also considered updates on Health and Social Care Integration and Getting it Right for Every Child both of which are progressing apace.

#### 3. Community Empowerment

The Community Empowerment Working Group (CEWG) held a meeting on 13 January 2015, principally to draw together its deliberations on community empowerment and finalise its recommendations to the CPP board.

The Community Empowerment Bill completed stage one of its passage through the Scottish Parliament on 3 February 2015. It now moves into the amendments stage and is expected to be passed by the end of March 2015.

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