

## PERTH AND KINROSS COUNCIL

7 October 2015

**Community Planning Partnership Update Briefing Paper  
July – September 2015****Report by Senior Depute Chief Executive (Equality, Community Planning and  
Public Service Reform)****PURPOSE OF REPORT**

To update Council on the activities of the Community Planning Partnership (CPP) between July and September 2015.

**1. CPP BOARD: 4 SEPTEMBER 2015****The Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015**

1.1 The Community Empowerment Act received Royal Assent on 24 July 2015. Briefings on the Act were held on 20 August 2015 for Perth and Kinross Elected Members. The Act introduces significant new provisions about local community planning; the implications of these were discussed at CPP Board on 4 September 2015. A separate report to Council on 7 October 2015 (*Community Planning: The Next 5 Years*) sets out the changes to the governance and delivery arrangements for the *Community Plan 2013-23* at both strategic and local level.

**Joint Resourcing**

1.2 The CPP Board had previously approved a Joint Resourcing pilot project to tackle worklessness in Blairgowrie/Rattray. CPP Board received a progress report on 4 September 2015. The progress report included a detailed 'as-is' picture of the public sector spend on services, the experiences of service users, and recommendations about areas for re-alignment of services to deliver better outcomes. The Board welcomed the progress made on the pilot, and asked that the working group proceed to develop the proposals into an action plan.

**Community Justice Bill**

1.3 The CPP Board received a presentation about the Community Justice Bill and its implications for the Community Planning Partnership. The Board discussed options for the delivery and governance of the new responsibilities contained in the Bill. These options are to be developed further in conjunction with the CPP governance and delivery changes alluded to in paragraph 1.1.

## CPP Self Evaluation

1.4 A Self Evaluation survey was undertaken among members of CPP Board and CPP Executive Officer Group, to support the CPP to undertake a review of its strengths and development areas. The findings were reported back to CPP Board and will be used to inform the CPP Development Plan for 2015/16 onwards.

## 2. COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT

2.1 The Community Empowerment Working Group (CEWG) continues to progress workstreams on community asset transfer, participatory budgeting, developing 'Stories of Place' (to inform how public resources are best aligned to deliver local needs and aspirations), and developing the communications and public profile of the CPP. CEWG is due to report to CPP Board on 4 December 2015.

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