

Report To: Safe, Sustainable Communities Committee **Date:** 26 October 2010

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Subject: Education & Communities Directorate Performance Report

1.0 PURPOSE

- 1.1 This report advises Members of progress made by the Education & Communities Directorate in achieving its objectives, relating to the work and remit of the Safe, Sustainable Communities Committee, as set out in the Directorate Plan for 2010/11.

2.0 SUMMARY

- 2.1 To assist in the development of the Council's Strategic Planning and Performance Management Framework, the CMT agreed to adopt a consistent approach to performance reporting to Committee on a Directorate basis.
- 2.2 Appended, is the performance report relating to the aims and objectives outlined in this revised Directorate Plan, covering the first quarter of this Financial Year.
- 2.3 Given the makeup of the new Directorate, the progress of the services within Education & Communities will be reported to the Education & Lifelong Learning and Regeneration Committees as well as to the Safe, Sustainable Communities Committee.
- 2.4 Only the updates to the Improvement Actions that relate to the Safe, Sustainable Communities Committee have been included within this paper, for the attention of committee.

3.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1 It is recommended that the Committee:
1. Consider the progress reported in the areas of the Directorate's work that relates to the remit of the Safe, Sustainable Communities Committee
 2. Take into account that the work of the Education & Communities Directorate will be reported to 2 other committees – Education & Lifelong Learning and Regeneration
 3. Note that not all elements of the objectives identified within the Directorate Plan have been updated in this report, and that a reporting schedule for each measure has been identified as far as is possible.

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4.0 BACKGROUND

- 4.1 This report from the Education & Communities Directorate provides an overview of performance and an update of progress made relating to the Directorate Plan set out for 2010-11.
- 4.2 The Education & Communities Directorate Plan 2010-11 is the Directorate's key planning document and sets out the projects and improvement actions that will be implemented in order to help the Council deliver the strategic priorities identified within the Corporate Plan, Community Plan and Single Outcome Agreement.
- 4.3 Appendix 1 contains details of the status of all projects and improvement actions. For example, whether they have been completed, are on track, have not yet started or have slipped.

5.0 PROPOSALS

- 5.1 This Performance Report has been provided to inform Committee of ongoing progress – as such, no proposals have been included.

6.0 IMPLICATIONS

6.1 Finance

No financial implications

6.2 HR

No personnel implications

6.3 Equalities

No equalities implications

6.4 Legal

No legal implications

KEY PROGRAMMES / PROJECTS AND IMPROVEMENT ACTIONS

Corporate Plan Strategic Outcome 1: Educated, Informed, Responsible Citizens

Project / Improvement Action	Key Performance Measures	Lead Officer	Timescale	Progress Made (April – July 2010)
Positive engagement in activities promoting responsible citizenship, behaviour and Youth Representation for Inverclyde's young people	A. Delivery of Youth Intervention Programmes through Safer & Inclusive Communities	Head of Safer & Inclusive Communities	Ongoing	<p>A. (On Track)</p> <p>FireReach – In Partnership with Strathclyde Fire & Rescue Aim: Skills Development and Positive Promotion of Young People Update: Next Course June – update in next Progress Report</p> <p>New Horizon – Multi Agency Partnership Programme Aim: Inform & Educate to help young people Change Behaviours Update: Next Course June – update in next Progress Report</p> <p>Safe Kids – Delivered to P7 Pupils Aim: Promoting Personal Safety Update: Next Course September – further update at that time</p> <p>Young Peoples Alcohol Programme Aim: Alcohol Education Programme for S2 Pupils Update: Next Course September – further update at that time</p> <p>Firework Programme – Delivered to all S1 & S2 Pupils Aim: Promoting Firework Safety Update: Next Course October – further update at that time</p> <p>Cromdale Road Initiative Aim: Targeted provision & intervention to address perceptions of anti-social behaviour in specific neighbourhood and encourage better relationships across generations Update: Pods have been set up in local recreational ground to act as ad hoc community facility / drop-in space. Workshops scheduled and young / older people encouraged to attend</p> <p>World Cup Football Programme – Partnership with IL Aim: Diversion from Anti-Social Behaviour Update: Successfully operating in the area under the banner of the Midnight Leagues – better community access to facilities at times vulnerable to anti-social behaviour</p>

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<p>Continued Positive engagement in activities promoting responsible citizenship, behaviour and Youth Representation for Inverclyde's young people</p>	<p>Continued A. Delivery of Youth Intervention Programmes through Safer & Inclusive Communities</p>	<p>Continued Head of Safer & Inclusive Communities</p>	<p>Continued Ongoing</p>	<p>Mobile Football Pitch Aim: Diversionary Activities for young people Update: Mobile pitch deployed to anti-social behaviour hot spot areas</p> <p>Positive Futures Programme Aim: Pre-Vocational Course for 16-21 year olds who are not engaged in employment or education Update: Next Course October – further update at that time</p> <p>Fishing Programme – in Partnership with SPT Aim: Workshops and practical experience as a pathway to established clubs and organizations Update: Next Course September – further update at that time</p> <p>Larkfield Initiative – Multi Agency Initiative Aim: Targeted provision & intervention to address issues of anti-social behaviour in the Larkfield area. Update: Starts in September – further updates at that time</p>
<p>Improved access to Food Hygiene Information across Inverclyde</p>	<p>A. Implement Food Hygiene Information Scheme</p>	<p>Head of Safer & Inclusive Communities</p>	<p>Launch by Nov 2010</p>	<p>A. (2 – On Track) Preparatory Work commenced July 2010 – first update in next committee report cycle</p>

Corporate Plan Strategic Outcome 2: Healthy, Caring Communities

Project / Improvement Action	Key Performance Measures	Lead Officer	Timescale	Progress Made (April – July 2010)
<p>Effective use of School Travel Plans and investigation into related GIS developments</p>	<p>A. All schools to be involved in production of school travel plans</p>	<p>Head of Safer & Inclusive Communities</p>	<p>March 2011</p>	<p>A. (On Track) All Primary Schools currently have a Travel Plan. These will be reviewed throughout the coming academic year, and will be represented using GIS mapping technology.</p>

Corporate Plan Strategic Outcome 3: Safe, Sustainable Communities

Project / Improvement Action	Key Performance Measures	Lead Officer	Timescale	Progress Made (April – July 2010)
<p>Establish local information about housing demand / trends to support review of provision and strategy (local and Clyde Valley Planning)</p>	<p>A. Produce Review documentation (Local Housing Strategy) B. Undertake Strategic Housing Needs & Demand Assessment</p>	<p>Head of Safer & Inclusive Communities</p>	<p>March 2011 (local) July 2010 (Clyde valley)</p>	<p>A. (2 – On Track)</p> <p>The first “new style” LHS will cover the period 2011 – 16 and we intend to produce a consultative draft LHS by January 2011 with a view to committee approval of the final document in mid-2011</p> <p>A LHS Steering Group has been formed and we are now preparing to meet with Outcome Groups focusing on the key outcomes identified for the new LHS. The recommendations of the Steering Group will be based on discussions within the Outcome Groups and these will be reported to committee in March 2011</p> <p>The Monitoring and Update Report for the LHS 2004 – 09 was approved by committee in May 2009 and no further review is necessary pending the completion of the consultative draft of the LHS 2011 – 16 in late 2010. Committee agreed in May 2009 that the key aims and objectives of the LHS 2004 – 09 would be ‘rolled forward’ until the first “new style” LHS has been completed</p> <p>B. (2 – On Track)</p> <p>Work is continuing on the Housing Need and Demand Assessment (HNDA) with a view to submitting an outcomes report to the Joint Committee of the Glasgow and Clyde Valley Strategic Development Plan Authority in mid-September 2010</p> <p>The results of the HNDA will be used to inform the development of the new LHS (see above) and to provide housing supply targets for the new Local Development Plan, which is being produced in parallel with the LHS by the Regeneration and Planning service</p>
<p>Establish condition of identified private sector housing to support strategy and effective administration of grants</p>	<p>A. Undertake PS Housing Condition Survey B. Administer PSHG locally</p>	<p>Head of Safer & Inclusive Communities</p>	<p>March 2011</p>	<p>A. (2 – On Track)</p> <p>Tendering process completed and contractor appointed to carry out sample survey June 2010. Survey will be conducted over three month period from August – October 2010 and final report is due for submission to Inverclyde Council by mid-December 2010</p> <p>The results of the house condition survey will be used to inform the development of the Private Sector Strategy within the new LHS (see above) and to identify areas for investment in line with the Council's Scheme of Assistance.</p> <p>The results will also be of use in highlighting possible Housing Renewal Areas under the Housing (Scotland) Act 2006 due to the extent and nature of works required</p>

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<p>Continued Establish condition of identified private sector housing to support strategy and effective administration of grants</p>	<p>Continued A. Undertake PS Housing Condition Survey B. Administer PSHG locally</p>	<p>Continued Head of Safer & Inclusive Communities</p>	<p>Continued March 2011</p>	<p>B. (2 – On Track)</p> <p>There are two key grant systems administrated by the Strategic Housing Team, a) Scheme of Assistance and b) Support For Owners.</p> <p>The Scheme of Assistance was implemented on 1st April 2010 following Committee approval of the 2010/11 budget on 9th March 2010.</p> <p>Support For Owners is a ring-fenced budget delivered in line with the Scottish Housing Quality Standard (SHQS) investment programme of River Clyde Homes (RCH).</p> <p>Expenditure on the various grants delivered under the Scheme of Assistance are progressing in line with anticipated spend profiles for legally committed expenditure and actual expenditure.</p> <p>The level of Excess Right-to-Buy receipts available to establish the Support For Owners budget has been agreed with the Scottish Government and RCH. Inverclyde Council have been in discussion with River Clyde Homes regarding their SHQS Investment Programme for 2010/11 and will formalise grant offers to relevant owners upon receipt of final project costs from RCH which are expected by the end of August 2010.</p>
<p>Advancement of Area Renewal working with Community Planning Partners</p>	<p>A. Establish means of Monitoring the Area Renewal Strategy and provide outcome information through this</p>	<p>Head of Safer & Inclusive Communities</p>	<p>March 2011</p>	<p>A. (3 – Not Started)</p> <p>No update at this time</p>
<p>Achieve improved Port Health in partnership with HNS Greater Glasgow & Clyde</p>	<p>A. Develop robust Port Health Procedures</p>	<p>Head of Safer & Inclusive Communities</p>	<p>March 2011</p>	<p>A. (4 – Slippage)</p> <p>Joint Health Protection Plan has been developed in partnership with NHS Greater Glasgow & Clyde.</p> <p>In order for the local Port Health procedures to be finalised, the new Ship Scotland Regulations must be produced, and for that to happen, the British Regulations must be published.</p> <p>These were being progressed by the Health Protection Agency, which has recently been disbanded by the new Westminster Government.</p> <p>Progress at local level is affected by this situation</p>

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Successful enforcement of legislation for age related sales	A. Undertake age related sales Education Programme B. Commence Enforcement Initiative C. Undertake Evaluation of the initiative	Head of Safer & Inclusive Communities	Education May 2010 Enforcement Oct 2010 3 year initiative	A. (2 – On Track) Preparatory Work still underway and not completed until late August – first update in next committee report cycle B. (3 – Not Started) Initiative will commence after all businesses have been contacted in August 2010 C. (3 – Not Started) Will be evaluated at the end of the 3 year Initiative
Effect positive culture change regarding violence through joint working and interventions	A. Implement Improvement Actions / Practices via Joint Action Group	Head of Safer & Inclusive Communities	Ongoing	A. (2 – On Track) All members of the Joint Action Group have now been identified and the group has recently become established. Group are currently undertaking a Scoping Exercise, and events will be organised to bring practitioners together
Improve measures of community safety in Inverclyde's communities	A. Reduce instances of youth disorder from 2009 levels B. Reduce repeat incidents of violence against women from 2009 levels C. Reduce levels of public place violence from 2009 levels D. Increase Fire Safety	Head of Safer & Inclusive Communities	March 2014	A., B., C., D. (2 – On Track) Strategic Aims of Community Safety for 2010 – 2014. Community Safety Partnership are currently developing a set of measures for these Aims, which will be reported in the next committee cycle
Improvements to the environmental wellbeing of Inverclyde	A. Address relevant issues raised in Citizens Panel survey	Head of Safer & Inclusive Communities	March 2014	A. (2 – On Track) Strategic Aims of Community Safety for 2010 – 2014. Community Safety Partnership are currently developing a set of measures for these Aims, which will be reported in the next committee cycle

Corporate Plan Strategic Outcome 4: Thriving, Diverse Local Economy

Project / Improvement Action	Key Performance Measures	Lead Officer	Timescale	Progress Made (April – July 2010)
Improve Business Continuity support to local businesses	A. Increase in number of businesses supported from 2009 levels	Head of Safer & Inclusive Communities	March 2011	A. (3 – Not Started) Meeting to be scheduled with the Cross-Authority Civil Contingency Service. Update will be provided for next meeting.