

CLACKMANNANSHIRE COUNCIL

Date of Meeting: 26th June, 2014

Subject: Leader's Briefing

1.0 Purpose

- 1.1 The purpose of this briefing is to inform all elected members of a range of issues and activities which I have been engaged with in the past quarter. It is also intended to assist in raising awareness amongst members of a number of matters which affect the Council or the area and, as such, inform future workstreams.
- 1.2 Should any member of the Council wish to discuss any of the issues in this report in more detail, I will be happy to meet with them.
- 1.3 The report covers the period May to June, 2014.

2.0 National Issues Affecting Clackmannanshire

CoSLA

- 2.1 I attended the CoSLA Leaders' Meeting on 30th May, 2014. Items discussed were:
- Pensions
 - Distribution Issues
 - Discretionary Housing Payments Funding
 - Equally Safe: Scotland's Strategy for Preventing Violence against Women and Girls
 - EU Scottish Funds 2014-2020
 - Health and Social Care Integration: Regulations and Guidance
 - Early Learning and Childcare for Two Year Old Children
 - Commission for Developing Scotland's Young Workforce
 - Fiscal Empowerment and Financial Framework
 - Local Government Settlement 15/16 – Distribution
 - High Level Group on Planning/Town Centre First
 - Review of CoSLA Constitution

- 2.2 Associated papers for the meeting have been placed on the members' portal for members to access.

3.0 Partnership Working

- 3.1 I attended the following **NHS FV meetings/events**:
- 20th May - NHS FV Seminar
 - 10th June - Clackmannanshire and Stirling Partnership Board Meeting
 - 17th June - NHS Board Meeting

3.2 I attended the **Shared Services Steering Group** on 27th May. Items discussed were:

- Operational and Governance Arrangements
- Health and Social Care Integration
- Shared Services Stock Taking Update

3.3 The **Clackmannanshire Alliance** met on 6th June, 2014, and items discussed were:

- Presentation on MATAC (from Local Community Planning Partnership Leads)
- NESTA Project - Open Source Data Project: Parenting in Clackmannanshire
- Care Inspectorate Report: Services for Children and Young People in Clackmannanshire
- Alcohol and Substance Report
- Account Commission's Overview of Local Government in Scotland
- Next Steps on Joint Resourcing
- Making Clackmannanshire Better:
 - a) Tullibody Pilot
 - b) Target Operating Model for Clackmannanshire
- Clackmannanshire Third Sector Report
- Partnership Team Matters:
 - a) Community Wellbeing Partnership Team Performance Report
 - b) Business, Jobs and Skills Partnership Team Performance Report
- Proposals to Streamline Structures with Stirling CPP
- Future Model for Community Justice in Scotland - draft consultation response

3.4 Associated papers for these meetings have been placed on the members' portal for members to access.

4.0 Staff and Other Visits

4.1 I attended the following events:

- 19th May - Members' Briefing - Local Development Plan
- 21st May - Scrutiny Improvement and Development Workshop
- 27th May - Members' Briefing - Inspection of Children's Services in Clackmannanshire
- 13th June - Fishcross Primary School Summer Fayre
- 23rd June - Members' Briefing - Draft Accounts 2013/14
- The Queen's Baton Relay

4.2 I would be happy to provide additional information on any of the above events.



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Leader of the Council
June, 2014