

CLACKMANNANSHIRE COUNCIL

Date of Meeting: 17 December, 2015

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 October - December, 2015.

2.0 National Issues Affecting Clackmannanshire

CoSLA

- 2.1 I attended the following CoSLA Meetings:

CoSLA Convention on 30 October. Items discussed:

- Creating a Fairer Scotland - Report and Presentation from Cabinet Secretary for Social Justice, Communities and Pensioners' Rights
- Child Poverty
- Healthier Scotland National Conversation
- Protection of Local Democracy
- Annual Report on Migration: Enriching Communities. Improving Outcomes
- Local Government Boundary Commission
- Zero Waste Taskforce
- Trading Standards Strategic Review Group
- CoSLA Review

CoSLA Special Leaders' - 30 October. Item discussed:

- Spending Review

CoSLA Leaders' - 27 November. Items discussed:

- Leaders Workplan - a) Climate Change RPP3, b) Appropriate Adult Services
- Spending Review
- Distribution Issues - a) Funding Streams, b) Core Settlement
- National Improvement Framework for Education
- Developing Scotland's Young Workforce
- Consultation on Provisions for a Future Islands Bill
- Local Government Proofing
- Roads Collaboration
- Household Recycling Charter and Code of Practice
- Procurement Reform Statutory Guidance
- National Transport Strategy Refresh

- Independent Review of Planning
- Working Group on Consumer and Competition Policy in Scotland
- Refugee Crisis and Resettlement Programme

2.2 Associated papers for these meetings 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**:

- 27 October - Clackmannanshire and Stirling Integration Joint Board
- 20 November - Clackmannanshire and Stirling Shadow Integration Joint Board Development Session
- 24 November - NHS FV Board Meeting
- 2 December - Clackmannanshire and Stirling Integration Joint Board Pre-Agenda Meeting

3.2 On 18 November, I attended a Board meeting of Clackmannanshire Business. Items discussed were:

- Clackmannanshire Business Going Forward (feedback from Development Session)
- Budget
- Clackmannanshire Council Budget Consultation
- Tourism/Discover Clackmannanshire
- Directors' Reports
- Events

3.3 On 4 December, I chaired a meeting of the **Clackmannanshire Alliance**. Items discussed were:

- Health and Social Care Integration
- SOA Annual Review and Strategic Assessment
- Community Justice Transition Plan 2016/17
- Public Protection Forum
- Children and Young People Strategic Partnership
- Clackmannanshire Third Sector Report
- Community Well-being and Safety Partnership
- Business Jobs and Skills Partnership

3.4 On 7th December, the Chief Executive and I met with the Secretary of State for Scotland. The main items for discussion were Welfare Reform and Employability.

3.5 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 meetings/events:

- 28 October - Clackmannanshire and Stirling Environment Trust
- 29 October - Education Briefing
- 29 October - OLP Final AGM
- 8 November - Remembrance Day
- 9 November - Alva Community Action Plan Report Presentation
- 12 November - Clackmannan Development Trust Representatives
- 24 November - Budget Consultation 2016/17 - Alliance Partners (CWPT)

- 25 November - Clackmannanshire Carers' Forum
- 26 November - Budget Consultation 2016/17 - JCCF/Community Councils

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



Councillor Les Sharp
Leader of the Council
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