
Report to Resources & Audit Sub-committee

Date of Meeting: 29 October 2014

Subject: Development of Partner Reporting to R&A Sub-committee

Report by: Head of Strategy & Customer Services

1.0 Purpose

- 1.1. The purpose of this report is to set out a timetable for the development of additional partner reporting to the Resources & Sub-committee to the end of June 2015.

2.0 Recommendations

- 2.1. It is recommend that committee note, challenge and comment on the report as appropriate.

3.0 Considerations

- 3.1. As outlined in a paper to the Resources and Audit Committee on 28 February 2013, the Resources & Audit Sub-committee is considered to be appropriate for the ongoing scrutiny of any key partners in the current and emerging contexts of a changing public sector in Scotland.
- 3.2. To date, most reporting has focused on reporting against the police and fire plans, and the work of the Alliance's Community Wellbeing Partnership Team (CWPT). NHS Forth Valley however, presented its first report to the Sub-committee in June 2014.
- 3.3. As these arrangements bed down there is a need to consider how the Sub-committee develops its work plan to capture the breadth of all community planning activity across Clackmannanshire. It is recognised that this is a process of continuous improvement that needs to be developed and resourced over time. Though the police and fire performance reports continue to develop, they are now maturing, but it has been an iterative journey, requiring resource input from partners and council support staff.
- 3.4. Bearing in mind the need for council support staff to facilitate reporting, the following are considered the immediate priorities:
- December 2014 - as per current arrangements, report from police, fire and CWPT, though CWPT will move to a Covalent-based reporting format;

- March 2015 - report from police, fire and CWPT as per current arrangements; Business Jobs and Skills Partnership Team commence reporting quarterly on the Covalent format; NHSFV commence reporting on the Covalent format (frequency to be determined);
 - June 2015 - as per March 2015, with the addition of reporting from Clackmannanshire Third Sector Interface on the Covalent reporting format (frequency to be determined);
 - June 2015 - Resources & Audit Sub-committee further considers its work plan.
- 3.5. Experience to date has illustrated that setting up robust performance reporting arrangements take time, resources and dialogue, particularly when new systems are being set up. Partners also need time to get used to the Council's committee system, protocols and timelines. As such, a pragmatic, evolutionary approach is being adopted to the development of reporting.
- 3.6. These priorities will be discussed with partners, and communicated at the Alliance in December 2014.

4.0 Resource Implications

4.1. Financial Details

- 4.2. The full financial implications of the recommendations are set out in the report. This includes a reference to full life cycle costs where appropriate. Yes ☒
- 4.3. Finance have been consulted and have agreed the financial implications as set out in the report. Yes ☒

4.4. Staffing - no staff implications.

5.0 Exempt Reports

- 5.1. Is this report exempt? Yes ☐ (please detail the reasons for exemption below) No ☒

6.0 Declarations

The recommendations contained within this report support or implement our Corporate Priorities and Council Policies.

- (1) **Our Priorities** (Please double click on the check box ☒)

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| The area has a positive image and attracts people and businesses | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Our communities are more cohesive and inclusive | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| People are better skilled, trained and ready for learning and employment | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Our communities are safer | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Vulnerable people and families are supported | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Substance misuse and its effects are reduced	<input type="checkbox"/>
Health is improving and health inequalities are reducing	<input type="checkbox"/>
The environment is protected and enhanced for all	<input type="checkbox"/>
The Council is effective, efficient and recognised for excellence	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

(2) **Council Policies** (Please detail)

7.0 Equalities Impact

7.1 Have you undertaken the required equalities impact assessment to ensure that no groups are adversely affected by the recommendations?

Yes ☐ No ☒ not applicable

8.0 Legality

8.1 It has been confirmed that in adopting the recommendations contained in this report, the Council is acting within its legal powers. Yes ☒

9.0 Appendices

9.1 Please list any appendices attached to this report. If there are no appendices, please state "none".

10.0 Background Papers

10.1 Have you used other documents to compile your report? (All documents must be kept available by the author for public inspection for four years from the date of meeting at which the report is considered)


Yes ☒ (please list the documents below) No ☐

Scrutiny of Police, Fire and Rescue Services and other Key External Partners,
Convenor of Resources & Audit, 28 February 2013

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