

DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENT STANDING SCRUTINY PANEL.

Minutes of meeting in County Buildings, Wellington Square, Ayr,
on 15th June 2010 at 10.30 a.m.

Present: Councillors John McDowall (Chair), Eddie Bulik, Stan Fisher, Ann Galbraith, John Hampton, Mary Kilpatrick, Mairi Low and Mike Peddie.

Also

Present: Councillors Peter Convery and Margaret Toner, Portfolio-holders and Ian Douglas and Hugh Hunter.

Attending: M. Newall, Head of Planning and Enterprise; C. Monaghan, Head of Policy, Performance and Communication; J. McQuillan, Head of Property and Neighbourhood Services; I. Woodburn, Head of Customer and Community Services; R. MacDonald, Head of Community Development; J. MacMillan, Community Learning and Development Manager; and A. Gibson, Committee Administrative Officer.

1. Items for Call-in.

The Panel noted that there had been no call-ins for this meeting.

2. Minutes of previous meeting.

The Minutes of the previous meeting of 18th May 2010 (issued) were submitted and noted.

3. Progress Against the Council Corporate Plan to 31st March 2010.

Reference was made to the Minutes of the Leadership Panel of 8th June 2010 (Page 313, paragraph 13) when that Panel, having considered a report of 28th May 2010 by the Head of Policy, Performance and Communication advising of the progress achieved to date against the council Corporate Plan's aims and objectives, had agreed

- (1) to note the progress achieved over 2009/10 against the Council Corporate Plan as set out in the table at 4.2 of the report and Appendix 1 attached to the report; and
- (2) to note that detailed performance reports were to be considered at the forthcoming Standing Scrutiny Panels.

There was submitted a report (copies previously issued) of 28th May 2010 by the Head of Policy, Performance and Communication outlining the progress achieved to date against the Council Corporate Plan in relation to the directorate objectives and tasks which fell within this Panel's remit.

Various detailed questions were raised, to which the relevant officers responded accordingly, in respect of the following specific Directorate objectives and tasks:-

- Deliver capacity building programmes for community based groups covering asset management, income generation and financial management (CC01c01.02);
- Facilitate the development of a Steering Group to look at how best to regenerate the town of Girvan (CC02a01.02);
- Facilitate the funding and development of a Positive Impact Centre in the Wallacetoun/Newton area of Ayr (CC02a01.05);
- Deliver a range of leisure activities for older people (CC08b01.07);
- Provide training and education opportunities via the Learning Bus (CC11b01.02);
- Extend the use of resources and facilities in rural communities (CC11b01.03); and
- Improve the local environment of urban and rural areas (DE12a01/01.01).

Decided: to note

- (a) the progress and assessments made as outlined in paragraph 4.2 of the report and in Appendix 1 of the report; and
- (b) that for future reporting, Standing Scrutiny Panels should receive the detailed report for consideration prior to the Leadership Panel.

The meeting ended at 11.20 a.m.