

1. SUMMARY

- 1.1** This report summarises progress which has been made in making linkages of Strategic Local Partnerships to the Bute and Cowal Local Area Community Planning Group.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1** That the Local Area Community Planning Group note the progress which has been made, and agree that this work should remain a standing item for consideration at future meetings of the Group.

3. BACKGROUND

- 3.1** At it's meeting in January 2011 the Bute and Cowal Local Area Community Planning Group noted the need for effective linkages of local partnerships, who are frequently the deliverers of key local outcomes contained in the developing LACPG plans, to be made to the LACPG. This work has been progressed, and the attached document shows the developing partnership structure which is currently in place. It should be noted that the information contained in this draft document relates only to information submitted to date by partners in the group, and there may well be other key partnerships in the area which should be included in the exercise.
- 3.2** It remains the case that as a result of the work in aligning partnerships there may be some rationalisation of these groups at local level.
- 3.3** The Group is asked to consider the information submitted, and to make recommendation on which partnerships they feel need to be represented at each LACPG meeting, and, where there is duplication of groups and partners attending meetings at different levels of the LACPG structure, to make recommendation on how this should be rationalised.
- 3.4** Following this, the agreed process of Highlight and Exception reporting on key aims and outcomes will be introduced, giving the local groups the information they need to ensure that local priorities are, in fact, being progressed.

4. CONCLUSION

- 4.1** Work has been progressed in linking known local partnerships to the Local Area Community Planning Group, but this should remain as work in progress, to reflect ongoing local partnership arrangements which are subject to change. The Local Area Community Planning Group should consider where rationalisation of partnerships can be carried out to ensure more effective partnership working at a local level.

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