

ISSUES TO BE RAISED WITH DR ANDREW GOUDIE FROM THE SCOTTISH EXECUTIVE

As mentioned previously, we received a letter from the Scottish Executive's Performance and Improvement Division stating that "the Executive is looking at how it can best support the Community Planning process, gain a closer understanding of issues facing delivery agencies and to look at how the Executive improves its own approach to joint and cross cutting working".

Dr Andrew Goudie, Acting Head of the Finance and Central Services Department has been designated as the Scottish Executive's contact for the Highland Cluster into which Argyll and Bute has been divided. Dr Goudie has expressed a keen interest to attend a our next Management Committee meeting on 8 December 2004.

In order to enable us to utilise the time meaningfully, the following issues have been identified for discussion with Dr Goudie, namely:

- Argyll and Bute Profile
- Barriers to Partnership Working
 - Boundary issues
 - Stringent Scottish Executive timescales
 - Sustainability of 3 year funding
- Some Successes
 - SIP Projects
 - Better Neighbourhood Services Projects
 - 3 Islands Initiative
- Audit Scotland's Community Planning Indicators
- Implications of the Efficiency Review

The Community Planning Partnership is invited to discuss the above and identify any additional issues that it feels should be raised with Dr Goudie.