

ARGYLL AND BUTE COMMUNITY PLANNING PARTNERSHIP

BIENNIAL CONFERENCE

10TH JUNE 2005 – CORRAN HALLS, OBAN

“THE CHANGING POPULATION: COMMON PROBLEMS, JOINT SOLUTIONS”

- 09:15 **Registration Opens** – Coffee/Tea available in foyer
- 10:00 **Welcome and Introduction**
Cllr Allan Macaskill, CPP Chair
- 10:05 **CPP Overview**
Andrew Campbell, CPP Management Committee Chair
- 10.15: **Argyll and Bute Profile**
New Research Officer, Argyll and Bute Council
- 10:45 **Keynote Address: “Argyll and Bute: Leading Rural Area – Facing the Demographic Challenges: What can Service Providers do”**
Colin Mair, Chief Executive, Improvement Service
- 11:15 **Facilitated Workshops**
(Tea/coffee will be provided in the Workshops)
- The aim of the Workshops is to identify 3 actions that can be taken forward by the CPP and also what the barriers are to making this happen.
- 13:00 **BUFFET LUNCH**
- 14:00 **Scottish Executive’s Perspective: Improving Access to Rural Services**
Frank Strang, Head of the Scottish Executive Rural Policy Team
- 14.15 **Panel Discussion** (Questions and Answers)
- Discussion on how the barriers identified during the workshops can be addressed.
- Panellists**
- Colin Mair, Chief Executive of the Improvement Service**
Frank Strang, Head of the Scottish Executive Rural Policy Team
Helen Betts-Brown, Assistant Director-Rural Affairs, SCVO
Cllr Ian Gillies, Islands Spokesperson for Argyll and Bute Council
Dr Erik Jespersen, GP Oban, Clinical Director Argyll and Bute
Peter Timms, Chair of AIE and the Argyll and Islands Local Economic Forum – to be confirmed
- 15:00 **Close**

Please note that this programme may be subject to change.

Argyll and Bute: Leading Rural Area