



Strategic Partnership Highlight & Exception Report

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Strategic Partnership (Name of Partnership you are reporting on)	Third Sector Partnership
CPP Thematic Group (i.e Economy, Environment or Social Affairs)	Social Affairs
CPP Outcome (please select – you can select more than one outcome)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CPP/CP01 – competitive and successful businesses<input type="checkbox"/> CPP/CP02 – sustainable economic assets<input type="checkbox"/> CPP/CP03 – vibrant towns that are centres of economic growth<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CPP/CP04 – promoting our cultural, social and natural heritage<input type="checkbox"/> CPP/CP05 – Utilising our environment to create employment and prosperity<input type="checkbox"/> CPP/CP06 – Protecting our unique area<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CPP/CP07 – services are planned and delivered based on local need<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CPP/CP08 – overall health, wellbeing, independence and social inclusion are improved<input type="checkbox"/> CPP/CP09 – people feel safe and secure<input type="checkbox"/> CPP/CP010 – our diverse culture is celebrated

<p>Activity Summary in Period (please state period you are reporting on)</p>	<p>Argyll Voluntary Action – period to 31st December 2011. Footfall to the AVA offices rose to 3,091 (YTD total) with the largest increase at the new Helensburgh offices, where callers have more than doubled in 2 months. A further 8 volunteers found employment and attribute this to skills gained through timebanking and volunteering. This quarter we dealt with 3,166 enquiries and our young volunteers now number 460. Timebank support volunteering has achieved 19,850 hours alone over the 2011 calendar year though that funding has now ended; in addition we have registered 508 volunteers since April.</p> <p>Using WEMBS, 114 people with mild to moderate mental health issues supported through timebanking have reported increased mental well-being and improved self-esteem.</p> <p>Period up to end December tends to be quiet for new start ups but another 13 groups (mostly very small) were assisted. The demand for tailored and bespoke support continues to rise with increase of HR enquiries; the constraints of funding prompt changes in employment and employees as well as employing organisations are making contact. HR since April accounts for 115 enquiries and supports.</p> <p>Funding continues to be the most requested topic and we have increased the level of small workshops and increased the bespoke support – responding to 63 1:1 requests in the last quarter in addition to workshop and third sector fora support.</p> <p>The ‘Involving to Devolving ‘ project with its emphasis on co-production and empowering communities is underway and will link with our public sector colleagues over its lifetime to improve and increase community planning involvement with our communities.</p> <p>The Helensburgh monyclinic has seen rapidly increasing level of enquiries – now averaging 70 per month. In its first 10 weeks this pilot project has maximised income mainly for older people to a value of £46,123.</p> <p>IJCVS – to follow ABSEN – to follow</p>
<p>Key Challenges & Actions to Address</p>	<p>Following last report, VAS confirmed the new electoral system for interfaces and have advised Argyll & Bute that areas with the greater population will receive any increase in funding. We have responded to the consultation on behalf of Argyll & Bute highlighting our unique challenges. Scottish Government and VAS are requiring all interfaces to work within a common database framework – this has over 600 fields per entry – potentially requiring the TSP to contact over 1500 organisations with a great number of questions; some concern over how visible this information will be – in addition to the enormous task of transferring databases manually – this is anticipated to complete</p>

	September 2012. Services on Bute are expanding despite the barriers which are still in place. There is third sector support officer in post and later this month the TSP is providing a full-day Financial Inclusion workshop, however challenges on the ground and from some individuals and a few groups remain – we continue to work to address these and ensure service delivery .
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