

Liaison Meeting between the Irvine, Kilwinning, Dreghorn and Springside Area
Committee and the Community Planning Partners
18 November 2004

Irvine, 18 November 2004 - At a Liaison Meeting between the Irvine, Kilwinning, Dreghorn and Springside Area Committee and the Community Planning Partners at 3.00 p.m.

Present

Councillors Ian Clarkson, Anna Donn, Jane Gorman, John Moffat and Donald Reid (North Ayrshire Council); Pauline Fyfe, Operational Performance and Improvement Manager (North Ayrshire LHCC); Sergeant Scott Irvine (Strathclyde Police) and Sub Officer Alex Lindsey (Strathclyde Fire Brigade).

In Attendance

M. McKeown and A. Little, Corporate and Democratic Support Officers (Chief Executive's).

Chair

Councillor Clarkson in the Chair.

Apologies for Absence

Jack Carson and Stewart Dewar.

1. Minutes

The Minutes of the Liaison Meeting held on 15 January 2004, copies of which had previously been circulated, were confirmed.

2. Presentation: North Ayrshire: A Community Health and Well Being Profile

The meeting received a presentation by Pauline Fyfe, Operational Performance and Improvement Manager, North Ayrshire LHCC, on the content of a publication by Health Scotland entitled "North Ayrshire - A Community Health and Well Being Profile".

The Profile compares North Ayrshire, and individual communities within North Ayrshire defined by postcode areas, with Scotland as a whole for some 65 Indicators covering the broad areas of population demographics, health and function, behaviour, social environment, economy, physical environment, and morbidity and mortality. Information is also provided on how North Ayrshire as a whole, and individual communities, performed over time against specific Indicators i.e.

- Male life expectancy
- Female life expectancy
- Claimant unemployment
- Smoking during pregnancy
- Hospital admissions - alcohol related/attribution conditions
- Hospital admissions - cancer
- Hospital admissions - heart disease
- Hospital admissions - diabetes

Overall North Ayrshire reflected national trends in terms of general increases in life expectancy, hospital admissions as a result of cancer, and alcohol related conditions and diabetes, as well as decreases in smoking during pregnancy, and unemployment levels. Variations were however evident at community level, and correlations were clear between areas of economy and health and function, behaviour and morbidity and mortality. North Ayrshire as a whole, and communities covered by the Irvine, Kilwinning, Dreghorn and Springside Area Committee, reflected or exceeded the Scottish average on a number of Indicators including children in workless households, lone parent households, and adults unable to work due to illness/disability. NHS Ayrshire and Arran will work to effect positive change in these areas, along with its community planning partners, including the Council.

Noted.

3. Community Health Partnerships

Submitted NHS Ayrshire & Arran "Stop Press" on progress in developing Community Health Partnerships (CHPs) in Ayrshire and Arran.

The three Local Health Care Co-operatives (LHCCs), created in line with the local authority boundary areas, will evolve into CHPs which will have a new, more consistent and enhanced role in service planning and delivery, working as part of decentralised but integrated health and social care systems and improving joint working in the delivery of local health care services. CHPs will be developed through more effective partnership working with local authorities and other local agencies and greater public, patient, carer and staff involvement.

A CHP Steering Group, comprising staff from NHS Ayrshire & Arran, local authorities and a representative from the Health Council, was set up to oversee the creation of CHPs in Ayrshire and Arran. The Steering Group has agreed a vision, supporting actions and a number of key principles. An action plan to implement CHPs has now been drawn up and work has begun on a draft Scheme of Establishment for presentation to the NHS Board on 1 December 2004, with a view to establishment of the CHPs with effect from 1 April 2005.

Noted.

The meeting ended at 3.50 p.m.