



COMMUNITY PLANNING PARTNERSHIP E-BULLETIN 12 NOVEMBER 2010

GENERAL NEWS

Moray Community and Business Leaders Join Forces to Secure Economic Future

The Moray Council and community representatives are playing an active part in the campaign to keep the RAF in Moray. As members of the Task Force formed to fight any closures, the council and its partners will be playing an active role in the campaign to retain the RAF presence here in Moray.

Business and community leaders met at an emergency summit meeting in Elgin on Wednesday 20 October 2010 to establish a Moray Task Force, which aims to mitigate the effect of RAF withdrawal from Kinloss and campaign to save RAF Lossiemouth from the threat of closure. The new task force combines private and public sector leadership, with representatives from Highlands and Islands Enterprise, Voluntary Action Moray, the Joint Community Councils of Moray, Moray Council, the Scottish Government and Skills Development Scotland, along with leaders of local businesses.

Moray task force has also launched a website with key information on the team's initiatives to support the community campaign to keep the RAF in Moray, you can find this website at <u>www.moraytaskforce.com</u>.

Community Planning Alignment

A report was submitted to The Moray Council on Wednesday 10th November 2010, asking for approval to continue the pilot alignment of the Community Planning structure with the Council Committee structure for a further cycle. The meeting agreed the report, therefore the next cycle of Community Planning Strategic Group meetings will be on the following dates:

Group	Date	Time
CP Board	Thursday 9 th December 2010	9.30am
Healthier	Wednesday 16 th February 2011	2pm
Safer & Stronger	Tuesday 1 st March 2011	2pm
Smarter	Wednesday 2 nd March 2011	2pm
Wealthier & Fairer	Thursday 3 rd March 2011	9.30am
Greener	Tuesday 8 th March 2011	2pm

REVIEW OF GREENER STRATEGIC GROUP 19 OCTOBER 2010

Transition Town, Forres

The Greener Strategic Group received a presentation from the Treasurer of the Transition Town, Forres Project who explained that the Transition Town formed in early 2008. Nick Brown, of N B Planning went on to explain to the Group that there was a lot of work being done in working with schools, organisations and householders and that the bulk of the work is done by volunteers. The funding the Transition Town receives from the Scottish Government comes to an end in March 2011 and they asked if anyone with advice on funding could contact them.

Feedback on the Sustainable Design Seminar 14 September 2010

A <u>report</u> was submitted to the Group providing them with feedback on the Sustainable Design Seminar held at Horizon Scotland on 14 September 2010. It was explained to the Group that the

seminar was well attended and that some of the exhibitors would like to become involved with the production of the sustainable design guide.

For further information on any of these reports, and all reports submitted to this meeting visit the Community Planning Website <u>www.yourmoray.org.uk</u>

CONFERENCES & CONSULTATIONS

Moray Council Budget Consultation

Until December 3 2010, the Moray Council will be undertaking a consultation with communities in the area on this year's budget options. These options do not constitute a draft budget. They show the areas of the council's activity where savings could be achieved but also details the potential impact of implementing that option.

Consultation commenced on the 28th October and individuals have the opportunity to complete an online consultation questionnaire, or to respond via your local Area Forums and Community Councils. In addition there have been a series of community meetings where local representatives discussed the options with senior officers from the Council. A separate Citizen's Panel, comprising a representative 1,000 members of the community, will also be asked their views on the longer-term issues facing the Council.

An <u>online consultation questionnaire</u> is available from this link. Once complete it should be submitted using the 'submit' button shown on the form. Should you prefer a hard copy then please contact the Council on 01343 554314/563601 with your address and one will be posted to you. Once completed they can be posted to: The Moray Council, attn Alison McLaughlin, Unit 7 Elgin Business Centre, Elgin, and Moray.

Once the consultation process has concluded on December 3, these responses will be collated, analysed and presented to Councillors to inform their debate before setting a budget in February 2011.

Moray Physical & Sensory Disability Draft Strategy

Moray Community Health and Social Care Partnership invite you to comment on the draft Physical & Sensory Disability strategy document. The strategy has a clear vision of "building on the supportive partnership with people who have a disability and their carers which will empower them to have better choice and control to meet their individual needs and chosen lifestyle". This final stage of consultation seeks views around our agreed strategic aims and priorities for action. Anv comments/suggestions/queries are welcome by contacting Charles McKerron, Service Manager, tel 01343 567130 charles.mckerron@moray.gov.uk or Sandra Gracie, Strategy Development Officer, Tel 01343 567184 sandra.gracie@nhs.net by the 15th November 2010

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