



COMMUNITY PLANNING PARTNERSHIP E-BULLETIN 22 SEPTEMBER 2011

GENERAL NEWS

New Business Gateway Recruitment Service

Small businesses in Moray are set to benefit from a new Business Gateway programme being launched this month that is designed to help them expand and learn about the recruitment process. Following consultation with the local business community, Business Gateway Moray will be offering a series of free sessions and meetings concentrating on the benefits and best techniques to use when employing staff. The programme, An Introduction to Recruiting Staff, will consist of information sessions delivered to small groups of employers and one-to-one meetings with an expert adviser who will provide tailored advice and support.

The dates for the information sessions are:

- Friday, 23rd September from 9.30 a.m to noon at CM Design Office, South Guildry Street, Elgin
- Friday, 4th November from 9.30 a.m to noon at CM Design Office, South Guildry Street, Elgin

Workshops and events can be booked online at www.bgateway.com/events or call Lesley Allan on 01463 725941 or email lesley.allan@highland-opportunity.com

REVIEW OF SMARTER STRATEGIC GROUP 15 SEPTEMBER 2011

Strategic Assessment

A presentation on the Smarter Strategic Assessment was carried out by Bridget Mustard and Anna Jermyn. The following key issues have been highlighted in the Smarter Strategic Assessment :

KEY ISSUES FOR SMARTER :		
Teenage Pregnancies	Pre-term Births	Pre-school Occupancy
Primary School Occupancy	Additional Support Needs	Attainment at S5 & S6
Oral Health	High Out-migration of Young People	Low Participation in FE
Looked After Children Attainment	Child Protection	

The key issues highlighted in red are potential Community Planning Partnership priorities. It was felt that these issues all fall under the two headings of 'Early Years' and 'Getting It Right For Every Child (GIRFEC)'. The other areas were not felt to be priorities for the Smarter Strategic Group either because they are being addressed in other areas or they were not felt to need a full Community Planning Partnership approach.

For further information on all the reports submitted to this meeting visit the Community Planning Website www.yourmoray.org.uk .

UPCOMING NEWS FOR WEALTHIER & FAIRER STRATEGIC GROUP 29 SEPTEMBER 2011

SOA Priorities - Strategic Assessment

The Group will receive a presentation on the Strategic Assessment process and priorities for the Wealthier & Fairer Group. The purpose of the presentation is to set out the process for creating a Community Planning Theme strategic assessment and the importance of strategic assessments in the process of creating the Single Outcome Agreement. Whilst there has not been a strategic assessment done for Wealthier & Fairer due to the development of the economic strategy, the Group will look at the fairer issues and cross cutting priorities.

Economic Strategy Consultation

The Group will receive an update on the progression of the Economic Strategy Consultation.

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DEADLINES

Please note that the deadline for the submission of reports to the **Greener Strategic Group** on Thursday 13 October 2011 is **4pm on Friday 30 September 2011**. There will be no reports accepted after this date.

CONFERENCES & CONSULTATION

The Moray Economic Strategy and Elgin-City for the Future

The public of Moray are being invited to give their views on two major new reports on how the economy of the area can be diversified and strengthened. Next month will see a series of meetings, open to the public and to community groups and representatives. Members of the public can take part in the consultation via the council's website, by post or by attending the public meetings. Please visit www.yourmoray.org.uk to see the list of 7 public meeting dates starting 6 September 2011.

Shaping the Future of Housing Services – the draft Scottish Social Housing Charter

A series of events across the north-east invites tenants to play their part in shaping the future of housing services. One of these will be held in Moray on 27 September 2011 at the Mansion House Hotel, Elgin. Posters can be viewed at www.yourmoray.org.uk.

This is a free event available to tenants and staff. Please contact Amanda Gregory, Senior Housing Policy Officer to book a place. Tel 563538 or email amanda.gregory@moray.gov.uk

Draft Local Lettings Plan Consultation

As you may be aware, the Council is building new properties in Elgin, Buckie and Keith. These are due to be completed between December 2011 and January 2013. We are considering introducing a Local Lettings Plan which we will use to let these properties. We are consulting on the draft lettings plan during September 2011. This consultation will allow us to get the views of our customers and to make sure that we take into account the views of all of our stakeholders. The recommendations from this consultation will be made to the Communities Committee on 25 October 2011. For more information or to take part in the consultation visit the Moray Council website at www.moray.gov.uk.

Cairngorms National Park Main Issues Report

The Cairngorms National Park Authority is now consulting on the Cairngorms National Park Local Development Plan Main Issues Report, and associated documents. This is your chance to be involved in the preparation of the proposed Local Development Plan and we welcome your comments and views. For more information or to take part in the consultation visit the Moray Council website at www.moray.gov.uk

Draft Cairngorms National Park Plan 2012 – 2017

The current Cairngorms National Park Plan runs between 2007 and 2012. It is reviewed every five years to ensure that it adapts to changes and different priorities. The first review takes place between 2010 and 2012. During 2010/11 the CNPA co-ordinated engagement with key partners and communities to help identify what the National Park Plan should tackle beyond 2012. This has informed a draft National Park Plan that is being consulted on between 19 September and 9 December 2011. Following this, the CNPA will make necessary changes before submitting the Plan to Scottish Ministers for approval in 2012

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