

## **SOCIAL WORK RESOURCES COMMITTEE**

Minutes of meeting held in Committee Room 1, Council Offices, Almada Street, Hamilton on 13 June 2007

### **Chair:**

Councillor James Handibode

### **Councillors Present:**

John Anderson, Eileen Baxendale (Depute), Archie Buchanan, Jackie Burns, John Cairney, Graeme Campbell, Maureen Devlin, Hugh Dunsmuir, Anne Higgins, James Malloy, Brian McCaig, Michael McCann, Clare McColl, Brian McKenna, Patrick Ross-Taylor, Bert Thomson

### **Councillors' Apologies:**

Douglas Edwards, Allan Falconer, Bev Gault, Bobby Lawson, Edward McAvoy, Jim McGuigan, Henry Mitchell

### **Attending:**

#### **Corporate Resources**

G Cochran, Administration Assistant; J McDonald, Administration Adviser

#### **Social Work Resources**

H Stevenson, Executive Director; M Brackenridge, Head of Adult and Justice Services; B Doyle, Head of Children's Services; B Hutchinson, Personnel Services Manager; M McConnachie, Strategic Services Planning Manager; M Moy, Principal Officer (Finance); J Wilson, Head of Older People's Services

#### **Finance and Information Technology Services**

M Malavin, Accountant

### **Chair's Opening Remarks**

The Chair welcomed returning members and new members to the Committee.

## **1 Declaration of Interests**

No interests were declared.

## **2 Social Work Resources - Workforce Monitoring - April 2007**

A joint report dated 22 May 2007 by the Executive Directors (Corporate Resources) and (Social Work Resources) was submitted on the following employee information for Social Work Resources for April 2007:-

- ◆ attendance statistics
- ◆ occupational health statistics
- ◆ accident/incident statistics
- ◆ disciplinary hearings, grievances and Dignity at Work cases
- ◆ analysis of leavers
- ◆ Joint Staffing Watch as at 10 March 2007

**The Committee decided:** that the report be noted.

### 3 Social Work Resources - Resource Plan 2007/2008

A report dated 20 April 2007 by the Executive Director (Social Work Resources) was submitted on the Social Work Resources' Resource Plan for 2007/2008. Details were provided on:-

- ◆ key achievements within the Resource during 2006/2007
- ◆ the headline programmes and priority projects contained within the Resource Plan for 2007/2008

A 6 monthly interim progress report would be submitted to a future meeting of the Committee.

**The Committee recommended** that the Social Work Resources' Resource Plan for  
**to the Executive Committee:** 2007/2008 be approved.

*[Reference: Minutes of 3 May 2006 (Paragraph 4)]*

### 4 Authorised Providers List - Social Care

A report dated 19 April 2007 by the Executive Director (Social Work Resources) was submitted on the inclusion of 5 new providers on the Authorised Providers List for Social Care.

The accreditation process had been completed for the 5 new providers recommended for inclusion who had all met the relevant criteria.

**The Committee decided:** that the organisations detailed below be included on the South Lanarkshire Council's Authorised Providers List for Social Care:-

- |     |               |   |
|-----|---------------|---|
| (a) | Organisation: | Fosterplus (Fostercare) Limited                     |
|     | Service Type: | Foster Care   |
|     | Client Group: | Children, Children with Special Needs, Young People |
| (b) | Organisation: | Kibble Education and Care Centre                    |
|     | Service Type: | Residential Care with Education                     |
|     | Client Group: | Children, Young People                              |
| (c) | Organisation: | Seamab School                                       |
|     | Service Type: | Residential Care with Education                     |
|     | Client Group: | Children, Young People                              |
| (d) | Organisation: | Snowdon School                                      |
|     | Service Type: | Residential Care with Education                     |
|     | Client Group: | Children, Young People                              |
| (e) | Organisation: | Who Cares? Scotland                                 |
|     | Service Type: | Advocacy  |
|     | Client Group: | Children, Young People                              |

### 5 Multi Agency Public Protection Arrangements

A report dated 27 April 2007 by the Executive Director (Social Work Resources) was submitted on progress made in implementing the Multi Agency Public Protection Arrangements (MAPPA).

MAPPA was an administrative arrangement to improve effective co-ordination of information on individuals who were of high risk to the community. A MAPPA implementation group had been set up locally to provide a co-ordinated approach to operational practice. As part of the implementation of MAPPA, the Council's Housing Services and Health Services had been asked to identify a single point of contact.

It was proposed that a further report be submitted to a future meeting of the Committee on the work being undertaken to implement MAPPA.

**The Committee decided:** that the report be noted.

*[Reference: Minutes of 7 February 2007 (Paragraph 11)]*

## **6 Joint Future - Whole System Indicator (JPIAF10) 2006/2007**

A report dated 19 April 2007 by the Executive Director (Social Work Resources) was submitted on the base data and self assessment template used by Social Work Resources to support Joint Performance Information and Assessment. The Framework enabled partnerships to self assess their performance in relation to other partnerships. The South Lanarkshire Partnership had performed well in 2006 moving to third place in Scotland.

**The Committee decided:** that the report be noted.

## **7 Extension of Social Care/Supporting People Contracts**

A report dated 19 April 2007 by the Executive Director (Social Work Resources) was submitted on the review of the Joint Social Care/Supporting People contracts which had been awarded to a range of providers in line with Supporting People guidance. In terms of Standing Order No 13.2 of the Standing Orders on Contracts, the contracts detailed in the appendix to the report had been extended for a period of 2 years from 1 April 2006 to 31 March 2008.

**The Committee decided:** that the extension of the contracts, as detailed in the appendix to the report, for a period of 2 years from 1 April 2006 to 31 March 2008, be noted.

*[Reference: Minutes of 7 February 2007 (Paragraph 13)]*

## **8 Urgent Business**

There were no items of urgent business.