

To: BELLSHILL AND DISTRICT AREA COMMITTEE		Subject: CONSULTATION EVENTS
From: CHIEF EXECUTIVE		
Date: 11 May 2005	Ref: 02/YC/JJ	

**1.0 Purpose of Report/Introduction**

1.1 The purpose of this report is to inform Bellshill and District Area Committee of the consultation events on the draft Community Engagement Strategy, draft Antisocial Behaviour Strategy and the draft Integrated Children’s Services Plan for North Lanarkshire.

**2.0 Background**

2.1 There are three major strategies which have been developing over the past year. These are:

- North Lanarkshire Partnership Community Engagement Strategy
- The North Lanarkshire Antisocial Behaviour Strategy – Building Better Neighbourhoods
- North Lanarkshire Partnership Integrated Children’s Services Plan.

The development work has been undertaken by the appropriate Council and Partner Organisations and the consultation process is now underway.

**3.0 Consultation**

3.1 The consultation period is mid May until the end of July 2005 and over 700 summary documents have been distributed to the Voluntary/Community Sector and the Partner Agencies operating within North Lanarkshire.

3.2 In line with best practice, events for both local people and staff from across the public sector have been organised during the month of June.

3.2 The events will provide details on each of the strategies and allow individual comments and views to be captured.

3.2 In addition, the documents have been published on the Council’s website for comments and responses.

3.2 The local events will be held on the dates listed below:

- Coatbridge, 9 June, St Patrick’s Primary School, 7pm
- Wishaw & District, 13 June, Wishaw Sports Centre, 7pm
- Bellshill & District, 14 June, Belvidere Primary School, 7pm
- North Area, 15 June, Cumbernauld Town Hall, 7pm
- Airdrie, 16 June, Airdrie Town Hall, 7pm
- Motherwell & District, 20 June, Motherwell Concert Hall, 7pm

3.6 At the end of the consultation period adjustments will be made and the finalised strategies reported to the Policy and Resources Committee in September 2005.

#### **4.0 Recommendations**

4.1 It is recommended that the members note the report.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. Whitefield". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "J" and a distinct "Whitefield".

**Chief Executive**