

To: BELLSHILL & DISTRICT LOCAL AREA PARTNERSHIP		Subject: Neighbourhood Improvement Plans
From: CHIEF EXECUTIVE		
Date: 19 February 2009	Ref: SMcK/PN/JK	

1. Purpose of Report

The purpose of this report is to seek approval from the Local Area Partnership to change the timeframe relative to the Neighbourhood Plan to align with the Single Outcome Agreement timescale and to reflect the outcomes from the recent Joint Planning event which was held with the Community Planning partners.

2. Background

- 2.1 The Bellshill & District Area Neighbourhood Plan is the key document associated with the work of the Local Area Partnership and the Local Area Team in this area. In terms of local planning the Neighbourhood Improvement Plan reflects the North Lanarkshire Partnership Community Plan and the Single Outcome Agreement commitments at a local level. The plan seeks to identify local actions which reflect the high level outcomes of the strategic documents referred to above, linked to the national outcomes within the Scottish Government's National Performance Framework.

3. Proposals/Considerations

- 3.1 It is proposed that the duration of the plan is extended from the original approval of 2008/09 until March 2011. This will link to the timescale for the new Single Outcome Agreement and will assist with future planning arrangements.
- 3.2 It is however, the intention to continue to review the action plans contained with the Neighbourhood Improvement Plans on an annual basis.
- 3.3 An amended plan will be presented to the May 2009 Local Area Partnership for approval.

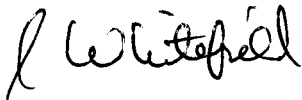
4. Corporate Considerations

- 4.1 The information and outcomes contained within the Neighbourhood Improvement Plan are consistent with the Council's Corporate Plan and North Lanarkshire Partnership's Community Plan and Single Outcome Agreement.

5. Recommendations

5.1 It is recommended that the Local Area Partnership:

- (i) approve the extension of the timescale of the Neighbourhood Improvement Plan until 2011.
- (ii) agree that an updated version of the plan be presented to the May 2009 Local Area Partnership for consideration.
- (iii) and otherwise note the content of this report.



Chief Executive
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