



AGENDA ITEM No.....4.....

**Bellshill & District Community Forum**  
**Report to Local Area Partnership**  
**June 2013**



**Background**

The Community Forum has held two business meetings since the last LAP:

- Thursday 16 May 2013
- Thursday 20 June 2013

The April meeting was on the same night of the LAP and as such had to be cancelled.

This paper aims to give LAP members a brief update on Community Forum activity over the past few months.

**Community Forum Update**

The Bellshill and District Community Forum have progressed the following;

- ❖ Agreed Activities for 2013-2014

The Forum members have agreed their activities and budget allocation for 2013-2014. These are;

Welfare Reform Roadshow x 2  
Multi-faith Celebration  
'See Me' Pledge  
International Women's Day  
Blue Light Disco x 4  
Carers Information Roadshow x 2  
Publicity Materials  
Men's Health Event  
Orbiston Picnic in the Park

- ❖ The Community Forum funded the following;

**Carers Health and Wellbeing Roadshow 2013**

The Community Forum funded its 5<sup>th</sup> carer's event delivered by the Princess Royal Trust Lanarkshire Carers Centre (PRTLCC). The information event took place at the Michael Sherry Centre on the 12 June targeting South Asian carers, as part of Carers Week. Carers received information from a range of support organisations and a workshop on welfare reform. 9 Carers attended and 1 person registers with the PRTLCC.

This was the second leg of the roadshow, the first event took place on the 26 February in Bellshill. Over 50 carers received information from a range of support organisations and attended a workshop on welfare reform.

Discussions are taking place to change the format for next year's event, due to the low numbers and an awareness that we need to attract new carers.

Feedback has been very positive and a report on both events will follow.

❖ **Raising Awareness of the Bellshill and District Community Forum**

Currently working with the NHSL graphic designer to produce new leaflet/flyer to increase the promotion of the forum and attract new members. Promotional materials with the forum logo (pens, trolley coins and purse bells) have been sourced as part of this promotional work.

❖ **Evaluation Report**

An evaluation report of 2012-2013 activities has been produced and is available on request.

**There are no further community forum Issues for Consideration at LAP**

The dates of the next Community Forum meetings are:

Thursday 19 September 2013

Thursday 17 October 2013