

To: AIRDRIE AREA COMMITTEE		Subject: LOCAL COMMUNITY PLANNING UPDATE
From: AREA TEAM LEADER		
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1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to provide an update to the Airdrie Area Committee on the progress to date of the development of the Local Community Plan.

2. Background

- 2.1 During August and September 2002 the Council produced draft Local Community Plans for all of the Area Committees. These plans contained only Council issues and fall somewhat short of real Local Community Plans.
- 2.2 A report was submitted to the Airdrie Area Committee on the 12 November 2002 summarising the current status of the project, identifying Airdrie as a pilot for the community planning process and outlining how that project will be progressed over the coming months.

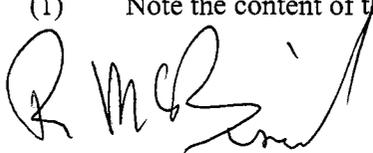
3. Progress

- 3.1 A Local Community Planning Event took place on the 7 February 2003. This event was organised by the North Lanarkshire Partnership in anticipation of the two local area community planning pilots being developed in North Lanarkshire. It brought together local area stakeholders involved in the pilot projects in Bellshill and Airdrie. The event took place at the Civic Centre, Motherwell and was attended by thirty-six delegates from a wide range of local stakeholder organisations.
- 3.2 The Airdrie group has decided to meet on 5th March. It was suggested that an initial step might involve reviewing the current service map and using that to provide a focus on specific themes within the community – for example, issues around drugs.
- 3.3 The Airdrie group will be led by Chief Inspector William Watson with representatives from the Council departments and partner organisations including Fire Brigade, Health Service, Job Centre Plus etc.

4. Recommendations

- 4.1 It is recommended that the Committee;

(1) Note the content of the report.



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