

REPORT

To: SOCIAL WORK (OPERATIONS AND SERVICES) SUB COMMITTEE		Subject: COMMUNITY DAY PROGRAMME	
From: DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL WORK			
Date: 5 DECEMBER 2006	Ref: JD/GM		

1. Purpose of Report/Introduction

The purpose of this report is to advise Committee of the continuing progress of the Community Day Programme.

2. Background

- 2.1. Members will be familiar with the Community Day Programme, which is a structured scheme of intervention for people who are at serious risk due to their misuse of alcohol.
- 2.2. Reports have been submitted to previous meetings of the Committee, which provided updates on the number of programmes which had been held throughout the Council area. In addition, information was furnished on the number of people completing the course and their intended destinations i.e. education, employment or training opportunities.
- 2.3. Due to the success of the programme, a report was presented to Committee in May 2006 which outlined proposals to extend the initiative. The additional staff required for this purpose have now been recruited and following induction and training there will be the capacity to extend the work of the programme.
- 2.4. Committee will be interested to note from the appendix the outcomes of the latest two programmes which were held at Pather and Airdrie.
- 2.5. A third programme is underway at present in the Bellshill area and in the new year a further programme is scheduled to commence in Coatbridge.
- 2.6. The Community Day Programme, with its emphasis on the holistic approach to the delivery of services and support, continues to achieve effective and meaningful outcomes for the course participants.

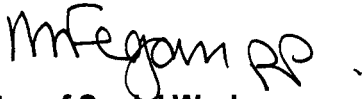
3. Financial/Personnel/Legal/Policy Implications

- 3.1. There are no direct implications attached to North Lanarkshire Council, funding for the current programme is provided through Community Regeneration Funding, whilst the extension costs will be met through NHS Lanarkshire.

4. Recommendation

4.1. Committee is requested to: -

- i. Note the terms of the report.



Director of Social Work
2nd November 2006

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APPENDIX

	No. signed up for programme	No. completing programme	No. going on to Routes to Work or employment	No. engaging with further education	No. of people continuing to access leisure facilities	No. engaging with Peer Support Group
Pather	9	6	1	3	6	5
Airdrie	11	8	2	5	8	8
Total	20	14	3	8	14	13