

## **Health and Social Care Integration**

### **Briefing Paper on Delegated Functions - Poverty, Deprivation and Social Exclusion**

#### Current Arrangements

The co-ordination of the actions and monitoring & evaluation to achieve the Fairer outcome in the SOA sits with the Community Planning & Development Service of SIC.

However, due to the cross-cutting nature of this area, activity to address this outcome is undertaken by a wide number of agencies and services in Shetland.

#### Current Functions

Staff: 1 PT member of staff, and other input through members of the Fairer Shetland Partnership.

Budget: £265,000 for 2014/15.

#### Partnership Working

The outcomes within the Fairer Shetland Framework deliver on the SOA. They were approved by Social Services Committee, as well as the Shetland Partnership Board & Council as part of the SOA approval process.

#### Future Involvement in Integration

Due to the cross-cutting nature of this area of work, it is part of the wider Community Planning agenda. Therefore, in terms of future options, the policy-making could sit anywhere within the Council's Governance Structures. In other words, there is no argument to suggest that it should sit with or not with the integrated partnership.

A key element of the work is to raise awareness and understanding of the evidence base in order to ensure socio-economic inequalities are considered as part of all decision making. The statutory requirements of the Council, under the Equalities Act, sit with the Executive Committee.

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