

Shetland Islands Council

# REPORT

To: Special Services Committee 2007

6 August

From: Chief Social Work Officer

# Publication of the Social Work Inspection Agency Performance Agency (SWIA) Inspection Reports on Social Work and Criminal Justice Services in Shetland

## 1. Background

- 1.1 This report is to introduce the Performance Inspection Reports produced by SWIA following their separate inspections of Social Work and Criminal Justice services undertaken earlier this year. The reports are to due be published on the day of Services Committee (30 August 2007) and will be made available both in hard copy and also on the SWIA website.
- 1.2 Following publication of the reports, officers will be required to produce an Action Plan outlining how we are to address recommendations within the report.

#### 2. Links to Council Priorities

2.1 Effective and efficient Social Work and Criminal Justice services are key to delivering the Council's priorities of social justice and community safety.

#### 3. Financial Implications

- 3.1 There are no direct financial implications arising from this report.
- 4. Policy and Delegated Authority

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4.1 All social work matters stand referred to the Services Committee. The Committee has delegated authority to make decisions on matters within its remit and for which the overall objectives have been approved by the Council, in addition to appropriate budget provision, in accordance with Section 13 of the Council's Scheme of Delegation.

## 5. Recommendations

- 5.1 To note and comment on the reports.
- 5.2 Request further reports to Services Committee on any of the issues raised within the reports.

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