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## Community Planning Board Meeting

Welcome to Issue 4 of the Community Planning e-Newsletter. This issue follows the CPB meeting held on 5 September 2005.

### RAF Saxa Vord

A presentation to the Board outlined a response to the closure of RAF Saxa Vord, formulated by Shetland Enterprise and the SIC Economic Development Unit.

The Board agreed to the proposal to establish a sub-committee to lead the regeneration programme in the North Isles.

There will be a joined-up

### Market House

After 10 years in the planning, Market House was officially opened on 19th August to support the voluntary sector in Shetland.

The building has been purpose built to accommodate 14 voluntary organisations. Market

approach which will look at working with existing businesses in the North Isles, consider



business expansion and new starts, and look at job dispersal.

Board members commented that they were delighted that things were moving ahead so quickly, and congratu-

House has been designed so that non-resident groups can access the facilities on offer including:

- Access to computing & IT facilities
- Access to office services

lated those involved in achieving so much in a short period.

The MOD Administration Manager has been invited to Shetland with a view to looking at whether a long-term strategy could be developed with the MOD.

Board members agreed to a suggestion that the next Board meeting should be held in Unst in order to demonstrate a real and dedicated determination to move things forward.

- Meeting rooms for hire
- Information on charities law, constitutions etc

Telephone 01595 743900 for further information.

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**Next meeting of the Community Planning Board, 5 December 05**



## Food for Life

A pilot project linking local schools with local crofts is to be undertaken. The project aims to integrate an understanding of food production and crofting into the school curriculum. The project will also commit the schools to delivering the Soil Association's Food for Life targets of 50% local produce, 30% organic produce and 75%

unprocessed foods.

The next step is for an interagency team to review the existing Soil Association and Crofters Commission's curriculum packs to produce one Shetland specific pack for the project and invite applications from local schools.

For further information please contact Maggie

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*Find the toolkit at [www.shetland.gov.uk/communityplanning/resourcekit](http://www.shetland.gov.uk/communityplanning/resourcekit)*

## Effective Partnership Working

A new community planning toolkit on effective partnership working has just gone live.

The aim of the toolkit is to provide an overview of community planning, partnership working and partnerships across Shetland.

It will be of interest to anyone who would like to find out more about community planning in Shetland and partnership working in general.

It includes useful information on developing an effective partnership, as well as details

of the main partnerships involved in community planning in Shetland, including contact details.

## Community Health Partnership

The Community Health Partnership has now been established following approval by the NHS Board and the SIC. The first meeting of the CHP was held on 1st September.

One of the main objectives in establishing the CHP is to further enhance and develop

partnership based locality-working arrangements across Shetland. Funding has been secured for a post to support this work and the post has already been advertised.

At the Board meeting, Mrs Betty Fullerton said she was delighted

to see this pulling together and that the locality working arrangements were moving towards public consultation.

## Safer Shetland Action Line

On Tuesday 9th August the Shetland Community Safety Partnership launched a new initiative to crackdown on crime and nuisance throughout the Isles.

The Safer Shetland Action Line, spearheaded by the Community Safety Partnership, aims to encourage local people to be the eyes and ears of

the neighbourhood by giving them access to an Action Line where they can pass on information concerning crime and nuisance 24 hours a day, 7 days a week in complete confidence. There is also a text facility and a PO Box address. The information will then be passed onto the relevant agency to deal with, making a real dif-

ference on the ground.

For further information please contact Jenny Wylie on 01595 744527 or email [jenny.wylie@sic.shetland.gov.uk](mailto:jenny.wylie@sic.shetland.gov.uk)

## Cultural Strategy

The Shetland Cultural Strategy was formally launched in June and copies have been widely distributed. Currently the strategy group has supported the Island Games, new cinema & music venue and the new

museum & archives.

The strategy will also be the main vehicle for developing a service level agreement with the new Arts Development organisation.

The strategy is also involved in the development of the

Johnsmaas Foy and an indigenous craft plan.

For more information please contact George Smith on 01595 744004 or email [george.smith@sic.shetland.gov.uk](mailto:george.smith@sic.shetland.gov.uk)

## Quality of Life Funding

Shetland has been allocated £376,000 Quality of Life funding. The Community Safety Partnership and Children and Young People's Services Group will be working together to manage the distribution of this money within Shet-

land, through a sub-group. The sub-group will also include a couple of co-opted members from the Board. They will soon be seeking bids from the community and then doing the initial assessments. This will be advertised locally.

*“Crime and nuisance such as drug dealing, antisocial behaviour and litter and dog fouling can affect the whole community”.*

*Find the strategy online at [www.shetland.gov.uk/community/documents/ShetlandCulturalStrategy.pdf](http://www.shetland.gov.uk/community/documents/ShetlandCulturalStrategy.pdf)*





*In its first year the  
Community Planning  
Support Team has trained  
66 people*

## Efficient Government

The Scottish Executive has agreed to fund a study of how well public agencies in Shetland work together and how co-operation could be improved. The Community Planning Board will carry out the investigation, which will focus first on links between the NHS and the Council. Other local public sector agencies may be involved later. At this stage, the study

involves researching and assessing options for change. The results of the study will then be reported back to the partners for them to decide if they want to make changes. To begin with work will be carried out to identify opportunities for joining up support services such as ICT, personnel management, building maintenance etc. The 2nd and 3rd

stages will look at the possibility of joining up the management of services in more areas and finally the way Shetland is governed. It is envisaged that the initial investigation stage will be complete by December 2005.

## Community Planning Support Team

The Community Planning Board has approved the continuation of the Community Planning Support Team, previously a pilot.

A new programme of training sessions will be available soon, covering: Engaging with Communities; What Difference are you Making? - a framework for planning, evalua-

tion & monitoring; and Reaching the Hard to Reach. The team is also available on a consultancy basis for partnership reviews.

For further information please contact the Policy Unit on 01595 744537 or email [policy@shetland.gov.uk](mailto:policy@shetland.gov.uk)

## Regeneration Outcome Agreement

Shetland's Regeneration Outcome Agreement has been approved by the Board and will now be submitted to the Scottish Executive for Ministerial approval. The ROA sets out how the £130,000 per year, for 3 years, will be used to tackle poverty and social exclusion.

The following geographic areas will be targeted for funding:

- The Parish of Northmavine
- The North Isles
- The West side (Walls, Sandness, West Burrafirth, Papa Stour and Foula)
- Voe/Firth and Mossbank/ around the Sullom Voe Oil Terminal.

In addition, some of the funding is available for thematic targeting, across Shetland.

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## A Shetland Compact

A Compact is to be developed for Shetland. This will take the form of a signed agreement between the VISP, Health Board, SIC, Northern Constabulary and Shetland Enterprise to progress the development of the voluntary & independent sector. The aims of

the Compact will include:

- Improving the joint planning & delivery of services;
- Increase the role of the sector in policy, decision-making & service delivery at all levels;

- Sustaining and developing the resources available to the sector;
- Supporting volunteering & community engagement.

*“The Core Committee strongly believe that having everyone sign up to it will greatly strengthen not only the sector itself but also benefit the wider Shetland community”*

## SADAT Training

Educ’alcool is an independent, non-profit organisation from Quebec. It aims to implement information, education & prevention programmes designed to help young people & adults make enlightened, responsible decisions about drinking.

Mr Hubert Sacy, Educ’alcool’s Director General has agreed to come to Shetland early next year to deliver a seminar with specific emphasis on the work of Educ’alcool.

No date has yet been set for his visit but for further infor-

mation please contact Jenna Leask on 01595 743089 or email [jenna.leask@shb.shetland.scot.nhs.uk](mailto:jenna.leask@shb.shetland.scot.nhs.uk).

*Find out more at the Educ’alcool website [www.educalcool.qc.ca](http://www.educalcool.qc.ca)*

The Scottish Training on Drugs & Alcohol regional trainer will be in Shetland to deliver the following training:

- 13 September—Drugs, Alcohol & Criminal Justice
- 14-15 September—Working with Mental Health & Dual Diagnosis in relation to Drug & Alcohol Misuse
- 29-30 November—An Introduction to Motivational Interviewing
- 1-2 December—Blood Borne Viruses

Courses are free for people working in health & social care services and voluntary organisations. All other professional groups are required to pay £80 per day.

For further information or to book a place please contact Jenna Leask on 01595 743089 or email [jenna.leask@shb.shetland.scot.nhs.uk](mailto:jenna.leask@shb.shetland.scot.nhs.uk)

