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Community Planning Board Meeting

Welcome to Issue 14 of the Community Planning e-Newsletter. This issue follows the CPB meeting held on 23rd June 2008.

The Community Planning Board Meeting; Highlights

Members of the Community Planning Board were given a presentation on the Integrated Assessment Framework (IAF) and how it would work in Shetland. The IAF is a National Initiative, requiring agencies to work together for the benefit of the Children and Young People that they work with.

Members of the Community Planning Board agreed the restructure of the Community Planning Board to a Community Planning Partnership, whereby there will be a focused delivery group of 6-8 people working on key Shetland priorities throughout any given year. This will feed into the Community Planning Partnership, which will meet once a year on mass.

If you would like more information on the IAF please contact Kristen Johnston on 01595 744097

For More information on the restructure of the Community Planning Board please contact Laura Saunders on 01595 74 3728

The Single Outcome Agreement

The Scottish Government have now ratified and signed off Shetlands Single Outcome Agreement.

The feedback from on the Outcome agreement from the Scottish Government has been very positive.

John Swinney will be making a visit in August to discuss to future development of the agreement.

If you would like more info,

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Sustainable Development; Climate Change; Film Project

[Www.shetland.gov.uk//communityplanning](http://www.shetland.gov.uk/communityplanning)



As part of a joint school project, pupils from Secondary Schools across Shetland have been working on producing a series of short films. The films produced were on topics related to Sustainable Development or climate change local to their area. The project aims to promote sustainable development and highlight current issues wither for the whole of Shetland such as litter or problems faced by smaller areas such as coastal erosion. The project could also form the basis for future film projects where schools could look at other aspects of sustainable development such as population drift or possible solutions.

On the 30th June around 40 pupils from Baltasound JH, Mid Yell JH, Scalloway JH and Aith JH came together in the Town Hall to show of their films. To an audience made up of Councillors, Managers and members of the Environment Forum.

- Aith - Energy and Houses
- Scalloway - Sustainable Environment
- Baltasound - Coastal Erosion
 - Rising Sea Levels and increasing storms, tsunamis hurricanes
 - Changes to wildlife populations and changes to fish stocks
- Mid Yell - Global Warming – Man Made v Natural
 - Global Warming – Impacts on Fish and Birds
 - Mid Yell and North A Voe: The Past and Now
 - Global Warming – What we all can do to help



We were also lucky to have Professor Anne Glover as guest speaker. Anne is the Chief Scientific Advisor for Scotland, she provides independent advice on Science to the Scottish Government and promotes Scotland as a Science nation. Anne gave a presentation and answered questions on Science and Climate change. One of the key points raised in her presentation is that we need to change our expectations and lifestyles. As population growth and economic development are going to mean that it will not be possible in the long-term to continue in the way we are at present.



Learn New Skills

See the benefits to your group,

The following courses will be provided **free** around Shetland.
Venues and times will be decided by local demand.

- **Basic Book Keeping** - 28th Aug - (Full Day)
- **Project Management** - 13th Sept
- **Presentation Skills** - 25th Sept
- **Finding and Retaining Volunteers** - 27th Sept
- **Report Writing - Including OSCR returns** - 25th Oct
- **Risk Assessment** - 6th Nov (2hrs)
- **Making Funding Applications** - 15th Nov
- **Minute Taking** - 21st Feb (2hrs)
- **Marketing to the Hard to Reach** - 7th Mar



Dates to be confirmed

- **OSCR - Accounts for registered charities**
- **Renewables and Energy Saving**
- **First Steps into Business**

All Courses for 4 hours unless stated otherwise.

Places are limited for more information, to express your interest or book a place, please contact

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Or contact your Local SIC Community Office



For further information on the Gate research please contact the Policy Unit on 01595 74 4538 alternatively contact Community Development on 01595 74 4060

Growth at the Edge (GatE)

The Scottish Executive established what was called the 'Initiative at the Edge' programme back in 1998. This was a fund that sought to assist rural areas that had suffered significant economic and social decline, re-establish some community capacity and contribute to their regeneration.

Two areas within Shetland were successfully put forward for the 'Initiative at the Edge' (IatE) programme. These were Northmavine and Unst, Yell & Fetlar.

The IatE funding will come to an end next year. This is being replaced with a new programme called 'Growth at the Edge' (GatE). Funding is therefore again being made available and the Shetland Community Planning Board has an opportunity to put forward 2 areas as part of that programme.

The Northmavine Community Development Company, currently part of the Initiative at the edge programme, has done a piece of research to effectively match the GatE criteria.

The Northmavine Community Development Company carried out an analysis of rural areas across Shetland using the following criteria:

- Population
- Uptake of benefits
- Indicators of housing stress
- Primary school role in each area
- Availability, accessibility and vulnerability of key community services and facilities
- Income levels, economic activity and the number of business start-ups
- Voluntary activity in the community and the extent of community cohesion

The research concludes that, according to the methodology that was applied, Skerries is the most fragile area in Shetland. This was followed, in order of fragility, by (2) Skeld, Reawick, Sand & Semblister, (3) Walls, Sandness, Papa Stour & Foula and (4) Firth & Mossbank.

Growth at the Edge (GatE) - Continued

It was highlighted that these areas face common problems such as poor access to services, remoteness, trend for population drift towards the centre, poor transport infrastructure and lack/vulnerability of economic base.

The deadline for submission for GatE funding has yet to be announced.

The full Gate report and the research findings can be accessed at the link below

<http://www.shetland.gov.uk/coins/opendocument.asp?documentid=13255>

Shetland's Gender Annual Report 2008

The Shetland Island Council, in partnership with Shetland College, Shetland Licensing Board, Shetland School Service and ZetTrans have produced their first Gender Annual report.

There is a statutory duty on every public body to produce a Gender Equality Scheme and subsequently each year report on progress made.

Shetland's Gender Equality Scheme was published in June 2007. Therefore this report summarises how far each agency has come to achieving their Gender Equality objectives, which are laid out in Shetland's Gender Equality Scheme.

You can access Shetland's Gender Equality Scheme and Shetland's Gender Annual Report 2008 at:

<http://www.shetland.gov.uk/equalopportunities/documents.asp>

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