Highland Community Planning Partnership

Community Planning Board - 16 December 2016

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New Arrangements for the CPP Board and Chief Officers Group

Report by Acting Head of Policy

Summary

The report asks the Board to agree inviting the other bodies named in the Community Empowerment Act to participate in the Board and Chief Officers Group.

1. Background

- 1.1 The Community Empowerment Act has updated the duties for Community Planning and who these duties apply to. The Act names a range of public bodies who should participate in Community Planning. In Highland, the majority of these bodies already participate in the Chief Officers Group, the Board or both.
- 1.2 The following organisations are named in the Act but are currently not involved:
 - Historic Environment Scotland
 - Regional College Boards
 - SEPA
 - Scottish Sports Council (sportscotland)
 - HITRANS
 - Visit Scotland
- 1.3 The Chief Officers Group considered the representation and recommend that all are invited to participate in the Highland Community Planning Partnership. This participation may be at either a Chief Officer Group, Board level or both. It is recognised that given the national nature of some of these organisations, it is likely that they may not be able to participate.
- 1.4 With regards Regional College Boards, it was suggested that although UHI is represented on both the COG and Board, it would be helpful to invite a representative from the Further Education Regional Board to also participate. It is recognised that representation from the individual colleges would be most valuable on each local Community Partnership.

Recommendation

The Highland Community Planning Partnership Board is asked to:

Agree that the Chair of the Board write to the named organisations and invite them
to participate in the Highland Community Planning Partnership and that this will
include a representative from the Further Education Regional Board.

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