

Social Justice and Regeneration Committee

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Outstanding Action Points From SJ &R Meetings

Action point [lead Division]	Progress	Target completion date
Third meeting: 16 March 2005		
<p>03.13 The Minister would provide a report for Committee on the implementation of recommendation 19 of the policy review on housing for older people. Housing Directorate</p>	<p>The first stage of this review involved a research study to: examine the current provision of accommodation for older people in Wales; assess the appropriateness of current provision for current and future occupants; and appraise how the economy of accommodation provision will need to respond to the changing needs and demands of older people.</p> <p>A Synthesis Report will be available for the Social Justice and Regeneration Committee in October 2006. This will include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 An appraisal of existing provision of accommodation for Older People 2 An outline of future demand for accommodation 3 Future Implications for the supply of accommodation 4 Policy recommendations 	<p>Completed as part of Committee Paper - Housing for Older People on 15 February.</p>
10th Meeting: 16 November 2005		

10.07 The Minister agreed to report annually over the next 3 years on the impact of the Homelessness Strategy. Housing Directorate	Progress report to Committee as part of written report on 6 July.	Completed as part of committee paper – national homelessness strategy on 15 February.
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11th Meeting: 8 December 2005

11.02 The Minister to undertake a mapping exercise on service provision (including security/benefits/adaptations/public utilities energy action schemes) through Care and Repair and other agencies across Wales and report back. Housing Directorate		Completed as part of Committee Paper - Housing for Older People on 15 February.
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1st Meeting: 12 January 2006

01.27 The Minister agreed to look at the statistical data available for an evaluation of the Domestic Abuse Strategy. Community Safety Division	Officials are currently examining data sources including Helpline, Police Incident, Crown Prosecution Service and British Crime Survey Data. It will take time before any trends emerge.	The Minister wrote to Committee on 16 th November 2006. Further updates will be provided at regular intervals as data becomes available.
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01.29 The Minister agreed to provide an update on the Housing for Older People Policy Review recommendations, 12-14, equity release issues. Housing Directorate		Completed as part of Committee Paper - Housing for Older People on 15 February
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2nd Meeting: 9 February 2006

02.15 The Minister agreed to consider strategic linkages and statistics for inclusion in the next sustainable development report to Committee.
Business Unit

Completed as part of committee paper on Sustainable Development on 15 February.

3rd Meeting: 15 March 2006

03.05 The Minister agreed to include regular updates in her Ministerial report on developments surrounding post office issues.
Communities Directorate

Regularly

Completed. Update included in Minister's Report for 15 February.

4th Meeting: 03 May 2006

04.07 The Deputy Minister agreed to update Committee on a six-monthly basis on the progress on the Child Poverty Implementation Plan. Communities Directorate.

Update to be included in Ministerial report March 2007

5th Meeting: 8th June 2006

05.01 The Minister agreed to share the report carried out by SMTF specialist sub-group on the workforce shortages in counselling with Committee when published later in the year.
Community Safety Division

The report is being finalised and will be available from the end of February for comment by a specialist sub group.

Update to be included in Ministerial report March 2007

05.04 The Minister agreed to provide regular updates to Committee on the restructuring of courts. Community Safety Division		Completed. Update included in Minister's report for 15 February.
7th Meeting: 21st September 2006		
07.04 The Minister agreed to update Committee regularly on the Supporting People Grant, particularly formula arrangements. Housing Directorate.	Regularly	Update to be included in Ministerial report March 2007
07.05 Through discussions with NOMS the Minister agreed to take up the matter of the lack of funding for sex offender and domestic abuse perpetrator programmes in prisons and report back to Committee. Community Safety Division	Officials are liaising with NOMS and an update will be provided shortly.	Letter to be issued in February 2007
07.10 The Minister agreed to circulate her keynote speech at the Housing Fed and WLGA conference in late November. Housing Directorate		Letter to be issued in February 2007
07.11 The Minister agreed to keep Committee updated on issues relating to Prescoed Prison. Community Safety Division		Completed. Minister provided an update at the last Committee.

<p>07.14 The Minister agreed to share with Committee the evaluation of the pilot schemes under the All Wales Youth Offending Strategy when available. Community Safety Division</p>	<p>The personal support worker in custody pilot scheme was completed in Stoke Heath YOI and will be continuing in Ashfield YOI until March 2007. DELLS officials confirm that the evaluation has not yet been completed. When it is, it will be made available to the Committee, along with all other relevant bodies.</p>	<p>Update to be provided as soon as possible after completion of the project in March 2007.</p>
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8th Meeting: 19th October 2006

<p>08.04 The Minister agreed to look at the diversity breakdown within Community First Partnerships and report back to Committee. Communities Directorate</p>	<p>Update included in Minister's Report for 18 January.</p>	<p>Further update to be included once information has been received from the annual reports.</p>
<p>08.12 The Minister agreed to raise with the WLGA what can be done to support and raise the profile of post offices. Communities Directorate</p>		<p>At next meeting with WLGA</p>
<p>08.14 The Minister agreed to raise the issues surrounding Supporting People Grant when she next meets with the WLGA and Welsh Women's Aid, then report back. Housing Directorate</p>		<p>At next meeting with WLGA</p>

08.16 The Minister agreed to circulate the draft guidance in relation to section 226 of the Housing Act (Accommodation needs of Gypsies and Travellers) for discussion when available. Housing Directorate		Completed. Included in Ministers report for February
08.19 The Minister agreed to regularly update Committee on the Farepak Hamper situation. Communities Directorate	Regularly	Completed. Included in Ministers report for February
08.20 The Minister agreed to obtain details of uptake with Credit Unions and report back. Communities Directorate		Completed. Included in Ministers report for February

9th Meeting: 23rd November 2006

09.04 The Minister agreed to update committee on further discussion around research on excess winter deaths. Housing Directorate		Completed. Included in Ministers report for February.
09.07 The Minister agreed to update Committee on the hypothecation issues surrounding resource for DFG. Housing Directorate		In due course.
09.08 The Minister agreed to consider what further work could be undertaken on the location of gypsy traveller to local amenities. Housing Directorate		Completed. Included in Minister's report for February

<p>09.10 The Minister agreed to advise Committee of the locations of the three pilot extra care projects. Housing Directorate.</p>		<p>Completed. Letter sent to Chair on 8 January</p>
<p>09.12 The Minister agreed to report back to Committee on receipt of her response from Tony McNulty MP on the use of drug consumption rooms. Community Safety Division</p>		<p>Completed. The Minister wrote to the Chair of the SJR Committee in January regarding the response from the Home Office.</p>
<p>09.13 The Minister agreed to provide a short note on the review of the Police funding formula. Community Safety Directorate</p>		<p>Completed. Oral Update provided in Committee on 18 January and followed up with letter to the Chair.</p>
<p>09.15 The Minister agreed that her officials would contact Women in Need at Newport and consider the issue of a safe house especially for victims of trafficking. Community Safety Division</p>	<p>Housing and Community Safety Division officials are liaising over this issue and investigating the best way forward.</p>	<p>Update to be included in Ministerial report March 2007</p>
<p>09.18 The Minister agreed to provide a short note on issues relating to the financing of the Social Enterprise Sector. Communities Directorate</p>		<p>Completed. Included in Minister's report for February</p>
<p>09.19 The Minister agreed to share the findings with Committee on the Review of Role of the Coalfields Regeneration Trust. Communities Directorate</p>	<p>Possible update in March</p>	<p>When Available</p>

1st^h Meeting: 18 January 2007

<p>01.01 The Minister agreed to consider how post offices might be supported through the structural funds, particularly the Community Economic Development Theme of the Convergence Programme. Communities Directorate.</p>	<p>Development work on the Strategic Framework for Community Economic Development is underway and expected to be finalised by June 2007. There may be progress to report at the March Committee meeting.</p>	<p>Update to be included in Ministerial report March 2007</p>
<p>01.02 The Minister agreed to contact the Minister for Enterprise, Innovation and Networks on joined up thinking to assist programmes that help eradicate fuel poverty in Wales. Housing Directorate</p>		<p>Update to be included in Ministerial report March 2007</p>
<p>01.03 The Minister agreed to speak with Police Chief Constables on whether drug dealers are selling both Heroin and Cannabis - Historically, these have been separate markets. Community Safety Unit.</p>	<p>Next meeting with Police Chiefs is not until 26/3/07</p>	<p>This has been taken up via the Police Liaison Officer and an update will be provided to the March meeting of the SJRC.</p>
<p>01.04 The Minister agreed to bring the issue of preventative measures as a separate item to Committee when the Substance Misuse Treatment Framework is published. Community Safety Division</p>	<p>This will be a separate agenda item.</p>	<p>Update to be included in Ministerial report March 2007</p>

<p>01.05 The Minister agreed to look at the evaluation of Regeneration Programmes in England and report back to Committee. Communities Directorate</p>		<p>Update to be included in Ministerial report March 2007</p>
<p>01.06 The Minister agreed to provide Committee with details of local authority spend on alcohol services. Community Safety Division</p>	<p>This information was provided in answer to WAQ 49001 and WAQ 49002 on 23 January 2007.</p>	<p>Completed</p>
<p>01.07 The Minister agreed to check if any research had been undertaken in Scotland and Ireland on the effects of alcohol intake after the introduction of smoking bans. Community Safety Division.</p>		<p>Completed. Included in Ministers report for February</p>
<p>01.08 The Minister agreed to consider how the Substance Misuse National Helpline could be further marketed including the use of TV advertising and would update the Committee at the March meeting. Community Safety Division</p>		<p>Update to be included in Ministerial report March 2007</p>
<p>01.09 The Minister agreed to provide information about the 4 local authorities who had not provided energy conservation reports and would also raise this issue when she next meets with the Leader of the WLGA. The Minister also agreed to provide details of local authorities who had made the most progress. Housing Directorate</p>		<p>For next meeting with WLGA</p>

01.10 .The Minister agreed to include a section on the legal requirements and guidance of HECA in her next written report.
Housing Directorate

Update to be included in Ministerial report
March 2007