

To: Safer and Stronger Renfrewshire Thematic Board

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SAFER AND STRONGER RENFREWSHIRE THEMATIC BOARD - SELF ASSESSMENT

1. Summary

The self assessment is designed to measure that partnership strengths and weaknesses thus enabling the Board to identify areas for development. The assessment considers the following seven areas and members will be required to complete a scorecard for each:

- 1. Focus and impact
- 2. Partnership working
- 3. Strategic coherence
- 4. Planning and delivery
- 5. Review, reflect and refine
- 6. Capturing performance
- 7. Personal roles

On completion of the scorecards a report providing an analysis of the results together with some recommendations will be presented to the next meeting of the Board.

2. Recommendations

It is recommended that the Safer and Stronger Renfrewshire Board

- a) Agree to undertake the Community Safety Partnership Self Assessment
- b) Agree to comply with the timescales as set out in Section 5



3. Background

Through the 2010 Scottish Community Safety Network (SCSN) annual survey, 88% of respondents identified that there was a need for a self assessment specific to Community Safety Partnerships. As a result, the network appointed consultants to work with them to develop a self assessment and toolkit. Following a series of successful pilot self assessment package was launched on 20 June 2012.

4. Self Assessment Process

The self assessment is designed to measure that partnership strengths and weaknesses thus enabling the Board to identify areas for development. The assessment considers the following seven areas and members will be required to complete a scorecard for each:

- 1. Focus and impact this provides a quick insight into the overall performance of the Board.
- 2. Partnership working this area covers all the key features of a high performance partnership. The crucial point regarding this area is that the Board needs to score highly on all features to ensure high performance.
- 3. Strategic coherence this scorecard covers the features which determine the extent to which the Board is 'swimming with the tide' in terms of its strategic context, awareness of its role and activities by key partners and the extent to which its work is connected to relevant action elsewhere. Therefore the key issues are about strategic consistency, awareness and connectedness.
- 4. Planning and delivery this will help the Board assess the extent to which the partnership is focused on action and effective implementation.
- 5. Review, reflect and refine provides the board with a description of the extent to which the partnership reviews its action and progress and uses this to refine and improve its work and performance.
- 6. Capturing performance this scorecard covers different aspects of capturing and describing performance e.g. sharing and analysing data, establishing indicators and trend analysis.
- 7. Personal roles this particular scorecards allows reflection and review with regards how individual partners feel about their role, recognition and support they receive as a member of the Board.

All members of the Board will be issued with links to each of the scorecards together with a comprehensive set of instructions. Each scorecard will only take a few minutes to complete and there is no requirement to complete all scorecards at the same time.



Following completion of the scorecards the SCSN supported by the Community Planning Team will download the results and provide an analysis of what the results tell us and some recommend so area for improvement to the Safer and Stronger Board.

5. Timeline for Completion

Following agreement by the Board the scorecards will be issued to members for completion by Friday 19 June with the results being reported back to the next meeting of the Safer and Stronger Renfrewshire Board on 2 September 2015 as detailed in the timeline below:



6. **Resources**

There are no additional resource implications as Renfrewshire Community Planning Partnership is a member of the SCSN.

7. Prevention

The Safer and Stronger Action Plan framework and structure allows the Board to plan resources and direct investment towards prevention and early intervention.

8. Community Involvement/Engagement

The Board has representation from the Renfrewshire Forum for Empowering Communities.

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