



## **Update on Community Planning Training Group**

### **Background**

The Community Planning Training Group met for the first time in December 08. Its remit is to

- to develop and oversee the delivery of training courses (as identified in the Community Planning Work Plan);
- to work with specialist Community Planning Working Groups in the relevant fields;
- to secure external funding wherever possible for the provision of the training;
- to achieve economies of scale and encourage joint working through inter-agency training arrangements.

Membership of the Group includes a representative from Community Planning, D&G Council, NHS D&G, and the Police and Fire services, chaired by Peter Ross. The Third Sector Forum agreed at its 25 Nov 08 meeting that Grace Cardozo from LGBT Youth Scotland would be its Group representative along with Joyce Harkness of DGFedCVS.

### **Current status**

The Group met for a second time in February 09. A number of activities have been agreed, including:

- a Community Planning training course to be run by the Police, with places available to Third Sector organisations (details to follow);
- A second course of "Training the Trainers" training to be delivered on the National Standards for Community Engagement; the Public Involvement Working Group will take the lead on this (more details to follow);
- All courses delivered by the Council's training centre at Cargenbridge will be available to Third Sector groups, cost £50 per day; access/booking details to be confirmed;
- A programme of activities around increasing understanding of Community Planning is being considered.

### **Links to Third Sector**

The Training Group also links into the Diversity Working Group and would be interested in knowing if any Third Sector Forum members deliver training on either the National Standards of Community Engagement or Diversity.

### **Conclusion**

3SF members are asked to note the activities of the CP Training Group, await further details of the planned training events and feedback any relevant training activities that their organisation delivers.

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