

PERTH AND KINROSS COUNCIL**Environment Committee – 7 September 2016****Summary Report from Community Planning Community Safety and Environment Group on 17 June 2016****Report by Director (Housing and Community Care)****PURPOSE OF REPORT**

This report informs committee of the recent Reports presented to the Community Safety and Environment Group.

BACKGROUND / MAIN ISSUES**1. PERTH AND KINROSS VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN PARTNERSHIP**

There was submitted and noted a report introducing the Perth and Kinross Violence Against Women Partnership Annual Report for 2015–16. The report also highlighted the improvement actions for the Partnership. The contents of the Annual Report 2015/16 were welcomed by members and the excellent work being undertaken by the Partnership was commended by the Group.

2. ROAD SAFETY

There was submitted a report updating the Group on the various items of work which had been, or were being, or would be undertaken to support the improvements to Road Safety across Perth and Kinross. The Convener noted the variety of excellent work currently being undertaken.

3. SAFER COMMUNITIES THEME UPDATE

There was submitted a report updating the Group on the partnership and other activity of note that was underway or under development within the Safer Communities Theme.

There was a discussion on water safety and about giant hogweed on river banks. The group were informed that the Council had a duty to treat and prevent the spread of weeds in areas of local authority responsibility and that this included giant hogweed.

The Convener referred to a current publicity campaign and asked that further enquiries be made in respect of who was leading the campaign in order to seek additional information.

4. REDUCING REOFFENDING THEME UPDATE

There was submitted and noted a report updating the Group on the partnership activity which was currently being developed within the remit of the reducing reoffending theme.

5. ANY OTHER COMPETENT BUSINESS

Funding bids for 2016/17 seeking approval for a total contribution of £26,400 shared between 12 groups from a budget of £60,000 for the year were approved.

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