

---

Argyll and Bute Community Planning  
Partnership

Community Planning Partnership  
24 November 2010



---

## UPDATE ON SHARED SERVICES

---

### 1. SUMMARY

- 1.1 An open approach to developing shared services is important to ensuring that services are delivered as effectively and efficiently as possible.
- 1.2 This paper updates the community planning partnership on progress that is being made towards developing shared services in Argyll and Bute.

### 2. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 The partnership notes the joint working that is taking place to develop shared services opportunities in Argyll and Bute.

### 3. BACKGROUND

- 3.1 The Council recognises the importance of taking forward shared services as a mechanism for improving services and being more efficient. Partners are very supportive of this approach and the shared service agenda is being taken forward both at the Highlands and Islands level and in Argyll and Bute. The attached paper presents the partnership with details on how this is being progressed.

### 4. CONCLUSION

- 4.1 Shared services is an important consideration at a time of budget pressure, providing opportunities to achieve greater efficiencies in service delivery.

For further information contact: Sally Loudon, Chief Executive, Argyll and Bute Council

Telephone 01546 604350